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Fire crews work the crash site of Asiana Flight 214 at San Francisco International Airport in San Francisco, Saturday, July 6, 2013.

(AP Photo/John Green)

Russian official suggests Venezuela last chance for Snowden

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MOSCOW (AP) — An influential Russian parliament member who often speaks for the Kremlin encouraged NSA leaker Edward Snowden on Sunday to ac-

cept Venezuela's offer of asylum.

Alexei Pushkov, who heads the international affairs committee in Russia's parliament, posted a message on Twitter saying: "Venezuela is waiting for an answer

from Snowden. This, perhaps, is his last chance to receive political asylum." Venezuelan Foreign Minister Elias Jaua said Saturday his country hasn't yet been in contact with Snowden, who Russian officials say

has been stuck in the transit area of Moscow's Sheremetyevo Airport since arriving on a flight from Hong Kong two weeks ago. He has been unable to travel further because the U.S. annulled his passport.

Jaua said he expects to consult with Russian officials on Monday about Snowden's situation.

Pushkov's comments appeared to indicate that the Kremlin is now anxious to be rid of the former National Security Agency systems analyst, whom the U.S. wants returned to face espionage charges.

There has been no response from the Kremlin or Russian Foreign Ministry to the asylum offer made by Venezuela's President Nicolas Maduro in the early hours of Saturday, Moscow time.

For Snowden to leave for South America, he would need for Venezuela to issue him travel documents and he would need to find a way to get there. The only

direct commercial flight from Moscow goes to Havana, Cuba, and Snowden had booked a seat on this flight the day after arriving from Hong Kong, but failed to show up.

The Moscow-Havana flight goes over Europe and the U.S., which could cause complications. Some European countries refused to allow Bolivian President Evo Morales to fly through their airspace on his way home from Moscow last week because of suspicions that Snowden was onboard his plane.

Pushkov joked that if Snowden doesn't find shelter in Venezuela, "he will have to stay and marry Anna Chapman," the red-headed Russian spy who was among 10 sleeper agents deported from the U.S. in 2010.

The 31-year-old Chapman proposed to Snowden, who just turned 30, on Twitter last week.

The presidents of Bolivia and Nicaragua also said over the weekend that Snowden was welcome in their countries.

Bolivia's foreign minister, David Choquehuanca, said Sunday on state television that his country hasn't yet received a formal petition for asylum from Snowden. Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega said his country's embassy in Moscow has received Snowden's application and is studying the request. Snowden has applied for asylum in more than two dozen countries, including Bolivia, Nicaragua and Venezuela, according to WikiLeaks, the secret-spilling website that has been advising him.

U.S. Sen. Robert Menendez, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said he wasn't surprised that those three Latin American nations were offering asylum.

"They like sticking it to the United States," Menendez told NBC's "Meet the Press."

He also mentioned re-examining U.S. trade policies and foreign aid to any country that might take in Snowden. □



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(AP Photo)

Cuba:

Raul Castro backs asylum offers for Snowden

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HAVANA (AP) — Raul Castro stood shoulder-to-shoulder Sunday with Latin American countries willing to take in NSA leaker Edward Snowden, but made no reference to whether Cuba itself would offer him refuge or safe passage.

Venezuela and Bolivia both made asylum offers to Snowden over the weekend, and Nicaragua has said it is also considering his request.

"We support the sovereign right of Venezuela and all states in the region to grant asylum to those persecuted for their ideals or their struggles for democratic rights," Castro said in a speech to Cuba's national assembly.

The foreign media was not given access to the session, but the speech was broadcast on state-run television several hours after it took place.

Snowden has been out

of sight in the transit area of Moscow's main airport since he suddenly appeared there on a plane from Hong Kong two weeks ago.

each week. However those flights normally pass through U.S. airspace, raising the possibility they could be intercepted. It is also not clear, despite



Cuba's President Raul Castro, left, is applauded by Vice President Miguel Diaz-Canel at the closing of the second day of a twice-annual legislative sessions, at the National Assembly in Havana, Cuba, Sunday, July 7, 2013.

(AP Photo/Ismael Francisco, Cubadebate)

His simplest route to Latin America would be on one of five direct flights that Russian carrier Aeroflot operates to Havana

Castro's speech, whether Cuba wants to risk torpedoing mildly improved relations with the United States by letting Snowden

Bush urges congress to overhaul immigration system

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WASHINGTON - Former President George W. Bush, who normally stays out of current political issues, waded

briefly into the immigration debate in an interview broadcast Sunday, urging Congress to pass legislation to overhaul the system. "It's very important to fix

a broken system, to treat people with respect and have confidence in our capacity to assimilate people," Bush said on "This Week" on ABC News. "It's a

very difficult bill to pass. The legislative process can be ugly. But it looks like they're making some progress."

Bush was a champion of immigration changes during his presidency, and his failure to pass such legislation was one of his biggest disappointments. President Barack Obama has effectively picked up the baton in pressing for a similar plan to create a path to citizenship for millions of immigrants in the country illegally, aided by newfound support among Republicans worried about the electoral implications of alienating a growing Latino vote.

Bush said politics should not be the primary motivation for reshaping immigration laws. "The reason to pass immigration reform is not to bolster a Republican Party," he said. "It's to fix a system that's broken. Good policy yields good politics."

The former president was interviewed during his trip last week to Africa, where he has been working to fight

cervical cancer among women. He dismissed assumptions that he spends so much time on Africa now to redeem mistakes in Iraq, calling such talk "absurd psychobabble."

While he offered thoughts on immigration, he declined to speak out on other urgent issues of the day, like same-sex marriage. He urged patience as Egypt goes through its tumult, saying that the Arab Spring in general was still "a good thing because people are demanding their rightful place."

Bush, who overlapped with Obama in Tanzania, declined to offer judgments about his successor. Asked about Obama's decision to continue some of the counterterrorism programs he inherited, Bush said, "I think the president got into the Oval Office and realized the dangers to the United States, and he's acted in ways he thinks are necessary to protect the country." □



Former president George W. Bush walks with U.S. President Barack Obama during a wreath laying ceremony to honor the victims of the U.S. Embassy bombing in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

(AP Photo/Evan Vucci)

Quebec police: 5 dead in oil train derailment

LAC-MEGANTIC, Quebec (AP) — As firefighters doused still burning oil tanker cars, more bodies were recovered Sunday in this devastated town in eastern Quebec, raising the death toll to five after a runaway train derailed, igniting explosions and fires that destroyed the downtown district. With dozens of people reported missing, authorities feared they could find more bodies once they reached the hardest-hit areas.

Quebec provincial police Lt. Michel Brunet said Sunday that about 40 people have been reported missing, but cautioned that the number could fluctuate up or down.

"We met many people who had reported family members missing. Right now I can tell you about 40," Brunet said.

Brunet confirmed two more deaths early Sunday afternoon after confirming two people were found dead overnight. One death was

confirmed Saturday. The charred remains have been sent to Montreal for identification.

All but one of the 73 cars were filled with oil, which was being transported from

North Dakota's Bakken oil region to a refinery in Saint John, New Brunswick.

The eruptions early Saturday morning sent residents of Lac-Megantic scrambling through the streets

under the intense heat of towering fireballs and a red glow that illuminated the night sky.

Local Fire Chief Denis Lauzon likened the charred scene to "a war zone."



Smoke rises from railway cars that were carrying crude oil after derailing in downtown Lac Megantic, Quebec, Canada, Saturday, July 6, 2013. A large swath of Lac Megantic was destroyed Saturday after a train carrying crude oil derailed, sparking several explosions and forcing the evacuation of up to 1,000 people.

(AP Photo/The Canadian Press, Paul Chiasson)

"This is really terrible. Our community is grieving and it is taking its toll on us," Mayor Colette Roy-Laroche said.

On Sunday afternoon, Prime Minister Stephen Harper toured the town where a large part of the downtown area has been leveled. "This is an unbelievable disaster," Harper said. "This is a very big disaster in human terms as the extent of this becomes increasingly obvious."

Harper said the whole country is worried about the missing and is praying for the town.

"This is an enormous area, 30 buildings just completely destroyed, for all intents and purposes incinerated," Harper said. "There isn't a family that is not affected by this."

The search for victims in the charred debris was hampered because two tanker cars were still burning Sunday morning, sparking fears of more potentially fatal blasts. □

Official: Asiana flight flew too slow before crash

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Associated Press**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** —

Pilots of Asiana Flight 214 were flying too slowly as they approached San Francisco airport, triggering a warning that the jetliner could stall, and then tried to abort the landing seconds before crashing, according to federal safety officials.

The Boeing 777 was traveling at speeds well below the target landing speed of 137 knots per hour, or 157 mph, said National Transportation Safety Board chief Deborah Hersman at a briefing Sunday on the crash.

"We're not talking about a few knots," she said.

Hersman said the aircraft's stick shaker — a piece of safety equipment that warns pilots of an impending stall — went off moments before the crash. The normal response to a stall warning is to increase speed to recover control. There was an increase several seconds before the crash, she said, basing her comments on an evaluation of the cockpit voice and flight data recorders that contain hundreds of different types of information

on what happened to the plane.

And at 1.5 seconds before impact, there was a call for an aborted landing, she said. The crash at San Francisco International Airport on Saturday killed two 16-year-old girls from China and injured dozens of others.

The new details helped shed light on the final moments of the airliner as the crew tried desperately to climb back into the sky, and confirmed what survivors and other witnesses said they saw: a slow-moving airliner.

Pilots normally try to land at the target speed, in this case 137 knots, plus an additional five more knots, said Bob Coffman, an American Airlines captain who has flown 777s. He said the briefing raises an important question: "Why was the plane going so slow?" The plane's Pratt & Whitney engines were on idle, Hersman said. The normal procedure in the Boeing 777, a wide-body jet, would be to use the autopilot and the throttle to provide power to the engine all the way through to landing, Coffman said.

There was no indication in the discussions between

the pilots and the air traffic controllers that there were problems with the aircraft. Among the questions investigators are trying to answer was what, if any, role the deactivation of

people aboard made it out alive in what survivors and rescuers described as nothing less than astonishing after a frightful scene of fire burning inside the fuselage, pieces of the aircraft

co. The South Korea-based airline said four South Korean pilots were on board, three of whom were described as "skilled."

Among the travelers were citizens of China, South



National Transportation Safety Board Chairwoman Deborah Hersman speaks during a press briefing on the investigation of the crash of Asiana Flight 214 at the San Francisco International Airport in San Francisco, Sunday, July 7, 2013.

(AP Photo/Marcio Jose Sanchez)

a ground-based landing guidance system played in the crash. Such systems help pilots land, especially at airports like San Francisco where fog can make landing challenging.

Altogether, 305 of the 307

scattered across the runway and people fleeing for their lives.

The flight originated in Shanghai, China, stopped over in Seoul, South Korea, before making the nearly 11-hour trip to San Francis-

Korean, the United States, Canada, India, Japan, Vietnam and France. There were at least 70 Chinese students and teachers heading to summer camps, according to Chinese authorities.

As the plane approached the runway under clear skies — a luxury at an airport and city known for intense fog — people in nearby communities could see the aircraft was flying low and swaying erratically from side to side.

On board, Fei Xiong, from China, was traveling to California so she could take her 8-year-old son to Disneyland. The pair was sitting in the back half of the plane. Xiong said her son sensed something was wrong.

"My son told me: 'The plane will fall down, it's too close to the sea,'" she said. "I told him: 'Baby, it's OK, we'll be fine.'"

On audio recordings from the air traffic tower, controllers told all pilots in other planes to stay put after the crash. "All runways are closed. Airport is closed. San Francisco tower," said one controller. □

Procession brings home fallen Arizona firefighters

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Associated Press**PRESCOTT, Arizona (AP)** —

Firefighters on Sunday began a 125-mile (200-kilometer) procession to bring the bodies of 19 colleagues who died in a wildfire a week ago from Phoenix to the mountain community of Prescott where they lived.

Nineteen hearses departed from the medical examiner's office in Phoenix and rolled past a collection of firefighters outside the Arizona state Capitol. The procession will pass through the community of Yarnell where the 19 died.

Firefighters, police officers and everyday people held hands over their hearts or saluted as the motorcycle-

led escort slowly drove by and a quartet of bagpipers played a mournful song to a marching cadence. The firefighters' names were

posted on a side window of each hearse.

The procession included several firefighting vehicles, including a truck that



A procession of 19 hearses drives through Phoenix, Sunday, July 7, 2013. The 19 Hotshot firefighters were carried in procession in separate hearses from Phoenix to Prescott, Ariz. They had been killed fighting a wildfire about a week ago.

(AP Photo/Cheryl Evans)

bore the name of the elite crew to which the 19 firefighters who died on June 30 belonged. Lon Reiman of Scottsdale carried two small American flags as he waited for the procession to begin. Reiman said he has several relatives who are firefighters and thought of them once he heard the news of the deaths.

"When you think about their wives, their families and their kids, it just brings tears to your eyes," Reiman said.

It's unclear how long the procession will last. Since their fellow firefighters arrived at the scene where they were killed, the fallen firefighters have not been alone, a tradition among those in the profession in the U.S. □

Secretary of State Kerry's wife hospitalized in US

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NANTUCKET, Massachusetts (AP) — Teresa Heinz Kerry, the wife of U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry,

was in critical but stable condition in a hospital in Massachusetts.

A person in close contact with the family said Heinz Kerry was transferred to a hospital in Boston from



In a Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2008 file photo, Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., left, talks with his wife Teresa Heinz Kerry while watching election results at a hotel in Boston, in Boston. A hospital spokesman says Teresa Heinz Kerry is hospitalized Sunday, July 7, 2013 in critical but stable condition in a hospital on the island of Nantucket, Mass.

(AP Photo/Michael Dwyer, File)

Appeals court to hear dispute over BP oil spill settlement

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NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A federal appeals court is wading into a high-stakes dispute over the terms of a multibillion-dollar settlement of claims arising from BP's massive 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

A three-judge panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals is scheduled to hear arguments Monday by attorneys for the London-based oil giant and for Gulf Coast businesses that say the nation's worst offshore oil spill cost them money.

BP asserts that the judge who approved the deal and a court-appointed claims administrator have misinterpreted the settlement, allowing thousands of businesses to secure hundreds of millions of dollars in payments for inflated and fictitious losses.

"The result is that thousands of claimants that suffered no losses are coming forward in ever-increasing numbers, seeking and obtaining outrageous windfalls and making a mockery of what was intended to be a fair and honest court-

supervised settlement process," company attorneys wrote in their brief for the hearing. BP says it could be forced to pay billions more in "capricious awards to uninjured claimants" if the 5th Circuit doesn't overturn rulings on the issue by U.S. District Judge Carl Barbier. Plaintiffs' attorneys who brokered the deal last year counter that BP undervalued the settlement and underestimated how many claimants would qualify for payments under the terms they negotiated.

"Buyer's remorse does not alter the deal that was struck," they wrote.

BP's appeal doesn't apply to payouts to individuals. The April 2010 blowout of BP's Macondo well off the Louisiana coast triggered an explosion that killed 11 workers on the Deepwater Horizon drilling rig and led to millions of gallons (liters) of oil spilling into the Gulf.

Shortly after the disaster, BP agreed to create a \$20 billion compensation fund that was administered at first by the Gulf Coast Claims Facility, led by attorney Kenneth Feinberg. □

Nantucket Cottage Hospital on Sunday night. The person was not authorized to speak on the record and spoke on condition of anonymity. Heinz Kerry, 74, was admitted into the emergency room in Nantucket on Sunday afternoon, hospital spokesman Noah Brown said.

Heinz Kerry arrived at the facility in critical condition and remained that way Sunday evening, although doctors had stabilized her, Brown said. Brown said he could not immediately release any more details about the patient's condition or her illness.

Heinz Kerry is the widow of former U.S. Senator John Heinz, heir to the Heinz ketchup fortune. She married John Kerry in 1995.

Doctors treated her for breast cancer in 2009.

John Kerry has been at their home since returning from a nearly two-week around-the-world diplomatic trip to the Mideast and Southeast Asia early July 3.

He originally had planned to return to Washington on Monday and then co-host with Treasury Secretary Jack Lew high-level strategic and economic talks with senior Chinese officials on Wednesday and Thursday.

Kerry had also spoken of his desire to make his sixth trip to Israel as secretary starting at the end of the week. State Department officials said Kerry's schedule may now change pending developments with his wife's health. □

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Sen. Michael Enzi (R-Wyo.), right, visits a senior center in Laramie, Wyo., July 5, 2013. Liz Cheney, the oldest daughter of former Vice President Dick Cheney, has made it clear that she wants to run for the U.S. Senate seat now held by Enzi.

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A Cheney on the Wyoming ballot is a problem for GOP

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LUSK, Wyo. - A young Dick Cheney began his first campaign for the House in this tiny village - population 1,600 - after the state's sole congressional seat finally opened up. But nowadays his daughter Liz does not seem inclined to wait patiently for such an opening. Liz Cheney, 46, is showing up everywhere in the state, from chicken dinners to cattle growers' meetings, sometimes with her parents in tow. She has made it clear that she wants to run for the Senate seat now held by Michael B. Enzi, a soft-spoken Republican and onetime fly-fishing partner of her father's.

But Cheney's move threatens to start a civil war within the state's Republican establishment, despite the reverence many hold for her family.

Enzi, 69, says he is not ready to retire, and many Republicans say he has done nothing to deserve being turned out.

The developments underscore the complicated relationship between the Beltway-centered Cheney family and the sparsely populated state that provided its political base. Dick and Lynne Cheney, who divide their time between McLean, Va., a home on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and a house near Jackson Hole, Wyo., are widely admired here. Liz Cheney, who grew up

in McLean and moved her family to the Jackson Hole area just last year, is eager to establish her Cowboy State credentials, peppering social media sites with photos of her children's horse-riding competitions and descriptions of Wyoming as "God's Country." A Fox News commentator and the mother of five school-age children, she has become ubiquitous, appearing multiple times in communities over 300 miles from Jackson Hole. If she feels the need to blend in with the locals, it may be because of the carpetbagging charges her father faced when he moved back here from Washington in 1977 after working for President Gerald R. Ford.

The mere mention of Liz Cheney's name to a woman after an event in Newcastle brought forth disapproving references to an article published a few days earlier in a Casper newspaper about a political organization based in California promoting her candidacy for Senate. (Liz Cheney said through an aide that she had no connection to the group.)

Seeing a reporter jot down her remarks, however, the woman pleaded that her name not be published, because she did not want to offend the Cheneys.

"We love her and her family, and we hope she has a place," she said. "But not his place." □

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US Financial Front:

Temporary jobs becoming a permanent fixture in US

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Hiring is exploding in the one corner of the U.S. economy where few want to be hired: Temporary work.

From Wal-Mart to General



In this Friday, July 5, 2013, photo, an SAIA employee unloads copy paper from a delivery truck at Centennial Tower downtown, Friday, July 5, 2013, in Atlanta. Temporary workers, in fields such as manufacturing, health care and teaching, have jumped more than 50 percent since the recession ended four years ago to nearly 2.7 million.

(AP Photo/Jaime Henry-White)

Motors to PepsiCo, companies are increasingly turning to temps and to a much larger universe of freelancers, contract workers and consultants. Combined, these workers number nearly 17 million people who have only tenuous ties to the companies that pay them — about 12 percent of everyone with a job. Hiring is always healthy for an economy. Yet the rise in temp and contract work shows that many employers aren't willing to hire for the long run.

The number of temps has jumped more than 50 percent since the recession ended four years ago to nearly 2.7 million — the most on government records dating to 1990. In no other sector has hiring come close.

Driving the trend are linger-

ing uncertainty about the economy and employers' desire for more flexibility in matching their payrolls to their revenue. Some employers have also sought to sidestep the new health care law's rule that they

global economist at Bank of America Merrill Lynch, thinks more lasting changes are taking root.

"There's been a generational shift toward a less committed relationship between the firm and the worker," Harris says.

An Associated Press survey of 37 economists in May found that three-quarters thought the increased use of temps and contract workers represented a long-standing trend.

Typical of that trend is Latrese Carr, who was hired by a Wal-Mart in Glenwood, Illinois, two months

ago on a 90-day contract. She works 10 p.m. to 7 a.m., helping unload trucks and restocking shelves. Her pay is \$9.45 an hour. There's no health insurance or other benefits.

Carr, 20, didn't particularly want the overnight shift.

"I needed a job," she says. The store managers have said some temps will be kept on permanently, Carr says, depending on their performance.

Carr isn't counting on it. The trend toward contract workers was intensified by the depth of the recession and the tepid pace of the

recovery. A heavy investment in long-term employment isn't a cost all companies want to bear anymore. "There's much more appreciation of the importance of having flexibility in the workforce," says Barry Asin of Staffing Industry Analysts, a consulting firm.

Susan Houseman, an economist at the Upjohn Institute of Employment Research, says companies want to avoid having too many employees during a downturn, just as manufacturers want to avoid having too much inventory if demand slows. □

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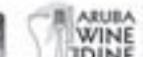
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Talks on Egypt leaders hit Islamist block

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CAIRO (AP) — Secular and liberal factions trying to install one of their own as Egypt's new prime minister collided into strong resistance Sunday from the sole Islamist faction that backed the military's ouster of President Mohammed Morsi, reflecting the difficulties in building a broad coalition behind a new leadership.

As wrangling continued over the prime minister spot, giant rallies by the movements that pushed out Morsi took on a sharply nationalist tone, pervaded with posters of the military's chief and denunciations of the United States and President Barack Obama for they see as their backing of the Islamist leader.

The show of strength in the streets was aimed at fending off a determined campaign by Morsi's Muslim Brotherhood, which brought out its own supporters Sunday in large protests.

Warning that the military is turning Egypt into a "totalitarian state," Brotherhood officials vowed to stay on the streets to reverse what they call a coup against democracy and restore Egypt's first freely elected president to office.

Military warplanes swooped over the anti-Morsi crowd filling Cairo's Tahrir Square, drawing a heart shape and an Egyptian flag in the sky with colored smoke. Large banners read "Obama, hands off, a message to the USA. Obama supports the terrorists of 911" with a picture of Obama with an Islamists' beard.

Throughout Morsi's year in office, many of his opponents accused the United

States of backing his administration. Washington often underlined that it was dealing with Morsi as the country's elected leader. Before the wave of anti-Morsi protests began on June 30, U.S. Ambassador to Egypt Anne Patterson said in a speech that she was "deeply skeptical" protests would be fruitful.

Egypt's transition should proceed," saying it is committed to Egyptians' aspirations for democracy. The widespread appearance of anti-American slogans in Tahrir had a double-edged message: painting the Brotherhood as a tool of Washington and pushing back against U.S. concerns over the mili-

country than the interim president — Adly Mansour, a senior judge who was sworn into the post earlier. The bloc of secular, leftist and liberal factions that led the giant wave of protests against Morsi last week are now the main grouping in a loose collection of movements trying to fill out leadership posts. They are push-



Opponents of Egypt's Islamist President Mohammed Morsi burn pictures showing the United States President Barack Obama during a rally outside the Presidential palace in Cairo, Egypt, Sunday, July 7, 2013. Egypt's new leadership wrangled over the naming of a prime minister, as both the Muslim Brotherhood and their opponents called for new mass rallies Sunday, renewing fears of another round of street violence over the military's ousting of Islamist President Mohammed Morsi. (AP Photo/Hassan Ammar)

She defended U.S. relations with Morsi's Muslim Brotherhood as necessary because the group is part of the democratically elected government.

Since Morsi's removal Wednesday, Washington has tread carefully, expressing concern without outright calling the army's move a coup or denouncing Morsi's ouster. On Saturday, the White House said in a statement that it rejects "false claims propagated by some in Egypt that we are working with specific political parties or movements to dictate how

tary's moves. Obama "must know that this is a popular revolution," said Shawki Ibrahim, a 37-year-old in Tahrir with a portrait of army chief Gen. Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi dangling from his neck. "The United States should support the people's will and not the interest of a person or a group seeking only their own interest," he said.

The appointment of a prime minister is the key next step in building a post-Morsi leadership. The prime minister is to hold far greater powers in running the

ing for one of their own as prime minister to have a strong voice in shaping the country.

But also among them is a main party of the ultraconservative Islamist movement known as Salafis — al-Nour — which turned against Morsi months ago and backed the military's ouster of him.

On Saturday, al-Nour blocked the appointment of the most prominent liberal figure, Mohamed El-Baradei, as prime minister, who is deeply distrusted by the Islamist movement as too secular. □

Iran says overthrow of Morsi improper

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran's Foreign Ministry on Sunday criticized the Egyptian military's toppling of the nation's Islamist president, calling the move improper in its first official reaction.

"We do not consider proper the intervention by military forces in politics to replace a democratically elected administration," said ministry spokesman Abbas Araghchi, according to the official news agency IRNA.

Egypt's military ousted Mohammed Morsi Wednesday after four days of mass protests against him.

Araghchi said that supporters of Morsi should not give up their efforts to reinstate him. Elections and not "the streets" should decide who is president of Egypt, he said. "Islamists and revolutionaries should not be frustrated," Araghchi said.

On the other hand, he said, "We do not see the recent events in Egypt as a defeat for Islamic awakening."

Iran has considered uprisings in Arab countries as an "Islamic awakening," repeating its own 1979 Islamic revolution that ousted the pro-Western monarchy and brought Islamists to power.

The exception to Iranian support for the uprisings is Syria, where mostly Sunni rebels are fighting to topple President Bashar Assad, who belongs to an offshoot of Shiite Islam. As the region's Shiite leader, Iran is Assad's chief ally.

Egypt has sided with most other Arab states to support Syrian rebels seeking to overthrow Assad. □



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In this photo released by Ministry of Defense, Radical Muslim preacher Abu Qatada, left, prepares to board a private flight bound for Jordan, at RAF Northolt in London Sunday, July 7, 2013. Abu Qatada was deported early Sunday from Britain to Jordan to face terror charges, ending over a decade-long battle to remove a man described as a key al-Qaida operative in Europe.

(AP Photo/Sgt. Ralph Merry)

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Associated PRESS

LONDON (AP) — Radical Muslim preacher Abu Qatada was deported early Sunday from Britain to Jordan to face terror charges, ending over a decade-long battle to remove a man described as a key al-Qaida operative in Europe. The move comes after Britain and Jordan ratified a treaty on torture aimed at easing human rights concerns that had blocked previous attempts to deport the Palestinian-born Jordanian preacher.

British Home Secretary Theresa May announced Abu Qatada's departure in a statement early Sunday, expressing confidence that the public in the U.K. would welcome the conclusion of efforts dating back to 2001 to remove the radical cleric.

"This dangerous man has now been removed from our shores to face the courts in his own country,"

May said in a statement. The Home Office then posted a picture on Twitter of Abu Qatada climbing the steps of a plane. Abu Qatada was wanted in Jordan for retrial in several terror cases in which he was sentenced in absentia. Britain had tried since 2001 to deport Abu Qatada — whose real name is Omar Mahmoud Mohammed Othman — but courts have blocked extradition over concerns that evidence obtained under torture could be used against him. After years of successfully fighting the numerous attempts to expel him from the U.K., the 53-year-old preacher recently indicated he would voluntarily return to Jordan if that country and Britain ratified a treaty on torture.

That treaty — which explicitly bans the use of evidence "where there are serious and credible allegations that a statement from a person has been

UK deports radical cleric Abu Qatada to Jordan

obtained by torture or ill-treatment" — was ratified by Britain and Jordan last month. It paved the way for the long-awaited removal of the man described in courts in Britain and Spain as a senior al-Qaida figure in Europe who had close ties to the late Osama bin Laden.

Abu Qatada is accused by Britain of links with Zacarias Moussaoui, the only person charged in the United States over the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, and with shoe bomber Richard Reid. Authorities first tried to deport Abu Qatada in 2001, then detained him in 2002 under anti-terrorism laws, which at the time allowed suspected terrorists to be jailed without charge.

Though he was released in 2005 when the unpopular law was overturned, the cleric was kept under close surveillance and detained in various ways. He most recently was being held at London's Belmarsh prison after breaching a bail condition in March which restricted the use of mobile phones and communication devices. The British home secretary acknowledged the delays in the legal process in her statement announcing that "at last" Abu Qatada had been deported, saying it is "clear that we need to make sense of our human rights laws and remove the many layers of appeals available to foreign nationals we want to deport." □



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FRANCES D'EMILIO

Associated Press

ROME (AP) — A fugitive Italian mobster, who allegedly arranged major shipments of South American cocaine to Europe each month and was one of the world's most powerful drug brokers, has been captured in a Colombian shopping mall, authorities said Saturday.

Roberto Pannunzi "at the moment is the most important broker for cocaine trafficking from South America to Europe," Gen. Andrea De Gennaro, an Italian anti-drug customs police official, was quoted as saying by the Italian news agency ANSA.

De Gennaro described Pannunzi as being able to "move thousands of kilos of cocaine — out of every 10 shipments, eight passed through" Pannunzi's hands, De Gennaro said, as Italian law enforcement officials and prosecutors rejoiced over his capture.

Italian news reports said the fugitive, who fled while under arrest in a private Rome clinic in 2010, was

captured Thursday. Colombian police said Pannunzi had a false Venezuelan ID when nabbed earlier in the week and alleged that he imported two tons of cocaine every month from Colombia to Europe.

Italian anti-Mafia prosecutor Nicola Gratteri told reporters that Colombia had agreed to deport Pannunzi, and the convicted drug dealer's arrival aboard a flight to Rome was scheduled for Saturday night.

Pannunzi, 67, had fled twice from arrest in Italy, including the 2010 escape from the hospital, where he had been admitted after telling authorities he felt unwell. In 1999, Pannunzi also escaped from yet another Italian clinic while under house arrest, which had been permitted for purported health reasons. The first spell on the run ended with his arrest in Madrid in 2004.

When Colombian and Italian authorities captured him in Bogota, Pannunzi immediately told them he had heart problems, Grat-

teri told Italian state TV. Gratteri also described how Pannunzi repeatedly managed to avoid capture — until this time. "He traveled for years with a suitcase full of money" to

corrupt would-be captors, Gratteri said. "And he had a backup 'safe-conduct' instrument — a diamond necklace around his neck" that he could use to buy his freedom, the prosecutor

said. Prosecutors said Pannunzi, while born in Rome, is a Calabrian engaged by the 'ndrangheta,' an organized crime syndicate based in Calabria, southern Italy. □



Roberto Pannunzi is escorted by Police officers upon his arrival at the Leonardo da Vinci airport in Rome, Saturday, July 6, 2013. A fugitive Italian mobster, who allegedly arranged major shipments of South American cocaine to Europe each month and was one of the world's most powerful drug brokers, has been captured in a Colombian shopping mall, authorities said Saturday. Roberto Pannunzi "at the moment is the most important broker for cocaine trafficking from South America to Europe," Gen. Andrea De Gennaro, an Italian anti-drug customs police official, was quoted as saying.

(AP Photo/Angelo Carconi)

Brazil expresses concern at report of NSA spying

JENNY BARCHFIELD

Associated Press

PARATY, Brazil (AP) — Brazil's foreign minister said Sunday his government is worried by a report that the United States has collected data on billions of telephone and email conversations in his country and promised an effort for international protection of Internet privacy.

The O Globo newspaper reported over the weekend that information released by NSA leaker Edward Snowden shows that the number of telephone and

email messages logged by the U.S. National Security Agency in Brazil in January alone was not far behind the 2.3 billion reportedly collected in the United States.

Foreign Minister Antonio Patriota, speaking from the colonial city of Paraty where he was attending Brazil's top literary festival, expressed "deep concern" at the report that electronic and telephone communications of Brazilian citizens are being the object of espionage by organs of American intelligence.

"The Brazilian government has asked for clarifications" through the U.S. Embassy in Brazil and Brazil's embassy in Washington, he said. Patriota also said Brazil will ask the U.N. for measures "to impede abuses and protect the privacy" of Internet users, laying down rules for governments "to guarantee cybernetic security that protects the rights of citizens and preserves the sovereignty of all countries."

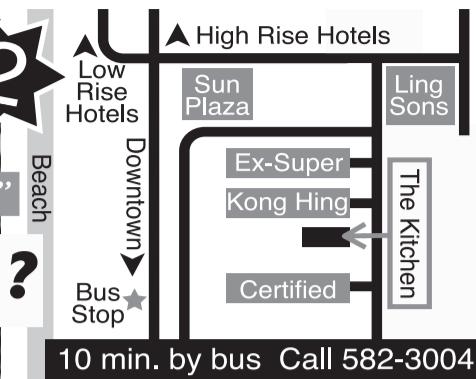
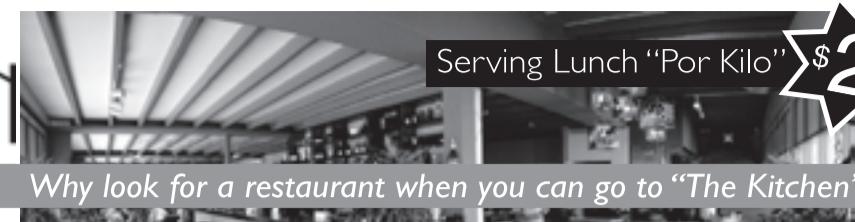
The spokesman for the U.S. Embassy in Brazil's capital, Dean Chaves, said diplo-

mats there would not have any comment.

But the Office of the Director of National Intelligence issued a statement saying, "The U.S. government will respond through diplomatic channels to our partners and allies in the Americas ... While we are not going to comment publicly on specific alleged intelligence activities, as a matter of policy we have made clear that the United States gathers foreign intelligence of the type gathered by all nations."

The chairman of the U.S.

Joint Chiefs of Staff warned Sunday that Snowden's overall disclosures have undermined U.S. relationships with other countries and affected what he calls "the importance of trust." Gen. Martin Dempsey told CNN's "State of the Union" that the U.S. will "work our way back. But it has set us back temporarily." Patriota's reaction in Brazil extended diplomatic turbulence the U.S. has faced from friends and foes around the world since Snowden began releasing details of the surveillance. □



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4 hurt, none gored, in 1st Pamplona bull run

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Associated Press

PAMPLONA, Spain (AP)

— Several thousand thrill-seekers tested their bravery Sunday by dashing alongside six fighting bulls through the streets of the northern Spanish city of Pamplona on the first day of the running of the bulls. Despite a large crowd of participants because the run coincided with a weekend, only four people were treated for injuries and no one was gored, officials said.

The regional government of Navarra, which is responsible for organizing the annual San Fermin festival, said in a statement that none of the four are seriously injured.

A 24-year-old Australian, identified only by the initials J. C., was being treated for bruising, as was a 44-year-old British national. An American citizen identified only as C.S. was also receiving treatment for a minor injury. A 36-year-old native of Pamplona with a minor injury was the only remaining in the hospital by mid-afternoon, the government said.

There was a moment of tension as the last bull of the pack became disoriented and turned around to look back at runners, but it eventually entered the

bullring without charging at anyone.

The nine-day fiesta was immortalized in Ernest Hemingway's 1926 novel "The Sun Also Rises."

"It's tremendous how many people there are here today," said Enrique Maya, mayor of Pamplona.

Every morning of the festival at 8 a.m., six bulls specifically bred for fighting race through the narrow, medieval streets of Pamplona accompanied by an equal number of large steers — each wearing a clanking cowbell — tasked with keeping the pack tight and galloping at an even pace.

"It was amazing, phenomenal and scary, all at the same time," said William Schulz, 34, a bartender in Nashville, Tennessee.

The run covers 930-yards (850-meters) from a holding pen on the edge of town to the central bull ring where the large animals face matadors and almost certain death in afternoon bullfights.

The bulls used in the centuries-old fiesta can weigh up to at 1,380 pounds (625 kilograms). Bulls have killed 15 people since record-keeping began in 1924.

"The first feeling while you're running is just surviving," said Rick Museca, 46, a wine importer from Miami. □



Revelers run and fall in front of Alcurrucen's ranch fighting bulls during the running of the bulls of the San Fermin festival, in Pamplona, Spain, Sunday, July 7, 2013. Revelers from around the world arrive to Pamplona every year to take part on some of the eight days of the running of the bulls glorified by Ernest Hemingway's 1926 novel "The Sun Also Rises."

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Haiti hopes \$160 m for high-end tourism pays off

TRENTON DANIEL
Associated Press

MONTROIS, Haiti (AP)

— The only leisure tourist among the U.N. peacekeepers, aid workers, embassy personnel and missionaries on this beach north of the Haitian capital must have been Anne Fournier.

She didn't live or work in Haiti or pretend to help. Fournier was here for fun, traveling to Haiti for the first time with her Port-au-Prince-born husband of almost two years. The couple visited a few of his relatives but otherwise has spent their 10-day vacation seeing the historic town of Jacmel in the south, wading in a nearby waterfall and relaxing on the beach.

"You can tell that the tourism isn't very developed yet, and that's the big charm of it," Fournier, 26, of Montreal, Canada, as she sipped juice from a cut-open coconut. "Everything is an adventure here."

Haitian President Michel Martelly and his administration are trying to woo Fournier and others like her as they aim high to revive the country's long stagnant tourism industry with investments totaling more than \$160 million.

While many in Haiti welcome anything that can create jobs, some critics are questioning the government's priority of trying to attract high-end tourists at a time when the country faces so many other problems, such as high unemployment, a deadly cholera outbreak and lack

of housing for people displaced by the earthquake more than three years ago. "It's good that the government is thinking about tourism but I think it's thinking about it in a very narrow way," said Robert Maguire, a longtime Haiti scholar at

Today, the department has a budget that's \$4.7 million, plus \$27 million from Venezuela's PetroCaribe fund. "Haiti is ready for tourism. Haiti is a tourism destination," said Tourism Minister Stephanie Villedrouin, a rare constant in the shake-

island of Ile-a-Vache and another \$8 million to develop the coastal town of Jacmel. Officials say these efforts will create more than 1,600 direct jobs and 6,500 indirect jobs. Tourism generated \$200 million last year, Villedrouin said. This

use of a little-known "investment code" that gives 15-year tax breaks to the owners of new hotels, many of whom are from the country's powerful and wealthy families. This law also allows hotel owners to ship supplies through customs without paying taxes.

Haiti used to be the stomping grounds for the rich and famous in the 1970s and early 1980s as they came in search of late-night Voodoo ceremonies, rum-fueled revelry and Cold War-era conspiracy theories. Guests included Mick Jagger, Truman Capote and Jackie Onassis.

But an AIDS scare in the early 1980s sent tourists to less exciting destinations. And the ouster of former dictator Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" in 1986 spawned years of political upheaval as governments took turns toppling one another. The lone visitors became diplomats, peacekeepers, aid workers, missionaries and emigrants, all symbols of the country's problems.

They largely remain so today. The bona fide tourists who mostly visit are those who hop off the cruise ships docked in Labadie, a fenced-in beach attraction on the country's north coast; Villedrouin said 600,000 of these people visit each year.

Villedrouin couldn't say how many other real tourists came last year. But so far only 120 have showed up since January as part of holiday package with Air Transat, a leading charter carrier in Canada. □



A water taxi waits for customers at the Wahoo Bay Beach hotel in Montrouis, Haiti. While many in Haiti welcome anything that can create jobs, some critics are questioning the government's priority of trying to attract high-end tourists at a time when the country faces so many other problems, such as high unemployment, a deadly cholera outbreak and lack of housing for people displaced by the earthquake more than three years ago.

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George Washington University. "It's an exclusive, high-end model that benefits a small group of the elite."

Haiti's tourism ministry had about \$2 million in its budget under the previous administration, and received another \$1 million from a Venezuelan oil fund in the aftermath of a destructive storm season, according to the former tourism minister.

up-prone Martelly administration. "If we want to be a sovereign country, if we don't want to depend on other countries, we need to figure out ourselves how to move forward and how to get revenue, and tourism must be number one on the list."

The government's projects include \$13.2 million to build an airport and infrastructure on the southern

in a country whose annual budget is \$1 billion.

Lest tourists fear Haiti unravels with unrest, the government is also building a force of 53 "tourism police officers" who will learn Spanish and English, first aid skills, customer service and work in the outposts where officials want to bring tourists. Funding comes from the Justice Ministry. Other plans include making

LOCAL Aruba TODAY

Maria Conchita Alonso visits Aruba International Film Festival!



ORANJESTAD - The 4th Aruba International Film Festival (AIFF) has been taking place on the island since last week, and ever since, different international film talents have been descending on Aruba! The local newspapers Aruba Today/Bon Dia Aruba had an opportunity to talk to Cuban actress and singer Maria Conchita Alonso.

The actress said to Aruba Today/Bon Dia Aruba that her experience at the Film Festival was beautiful, and that they were treated wonderfully as the organizers of the AIFF did a great job. For a Film Festival to exist, it is important to be done with love, passion

and dedication. Maria Conchita Alonso told Aruba Today/Bon Dia Aruba that she didn't come to Aruba for 20 years, and the island is as beautiful as

ever! For the actress, the people on the island are charming and the food is delicious. Maria Conchita Alonso was impressed how the island has changed for the better.

Although she thinks that an island can grow and be more modern, the island should not lose the essential charm of an island. She told the local newspaper that she hopes that the island won't keep growing too much in the area of commercial, but be as it is. The presentation of the film festival was beautiful, the movies and documentaries that were brought were great.

For the Film Festival to be known internationally, the organizers should hire a PR company to help them get more celebrities, said the actress. Maria Conchita Alonso is planning with Jonathan Vieira, organizing member of AIFF, a concert for next year on the island. At this moment they are looking for the best month to do the concert, she said to Aruba Today/Bon Dia Aruba. Since Maria Conchita Alonso can't go to Venezuela, this concert is an opportunity for Venezuelans to see her on the island. □

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the face painting contest of national flags and the marshmallow eating marathon for children and adults, as guests enjoyed cocktails on the pool deck, and snacks by Sweet Peppers Restaurant, getting to know each other and mingling with members of management, among them Interim general Manager Astrid Muller. Canada Day, the 4th of July, and the 5th of July, were festively commemorated at Caribbean Palm Village.



Kira Stickley honored by ATA at the Costa Linda Beach Resort



EAGLE BEACH - Recently the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure of honoring a very nice young woman who is a loyal and friendly Visitors of Aruba, at the Costa Linda Beach Resort, as Distinguished Visitor. The symbolic honorary title is presented in the name of the Minister of Tourism as a token of appreciation to

guests who visit Aruba for 10-to-19 consecutive years. The honoree was Ms. Kira Stickley from Richmond, Virginia. Kira and her parents are loyal members of the Costa Linda Beach Resort and they love Aruba very much because of the friendly people, the weather, beaches, restaurants, and Aruba feels like

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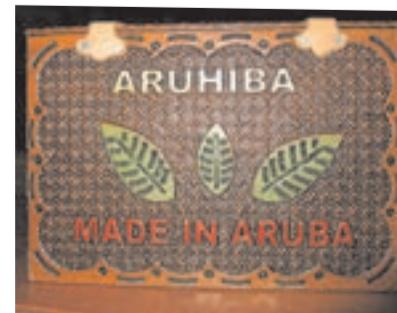
DRUIF BEACH - Recently the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure of honoring a very nice couple who are loyal and friendly visitors of Aruba, as Ambassadors of Goodwill, at the Aruba Divi Village. The symbolic honorary title is presented in the name of the Minister

of Tourism as a token of appreciation to guests who visit Aruba for 20-or-more consecutive years. The honorees were Leonard and Gail Weiss from New York. Leonard and Gail are Loyal members of the Divi Village and have been visiting Aruba for 30 consecutive years,

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EAGLE BEACH -- For the past year, the Rotary Club has made its home at the Alhambra Ballroom, meeting every Monday over dinner for the weekly get-together. On a recent Saturday, the annual turnover dinner took place in that same lovely room above the Alhambra Casino, beautifully set up by the Catering & Events team. The affair was attended



fresh flowers and tall center pieces. The stage was lined with artfully composed blooms, and the tables laid with gleaming white linen, glassware and stemware. Pictured here, the stunning set up, serving as a backdrop for the Rotary Club annual turnover dinner. Give the Catering & Events team a call for your next event and make it a guaranteed success. □



by the governor of Aruba, local club members, their spouses, incoming president Danilo de Freytas and outgoing president Frans Brinkman.

Executive Chef Gerard Coste put a special dinner menu together on the occasion of the changing of the guard serving Duck Goose Liver over greens as an appetizer, followed by Sea Bass glazed with whole grain mustard and sun-

dried tomato polenta, and Veal Tenderloin escorted by white asparagus for main course. A chocolate dessert fantasy with Baileys and Caramel was served for the sensational finale. Every course was paired with the appropriate wines, Beringer Sauvignon Blanc, and Rosemount Estate Cabernet Sauvignon, among them.

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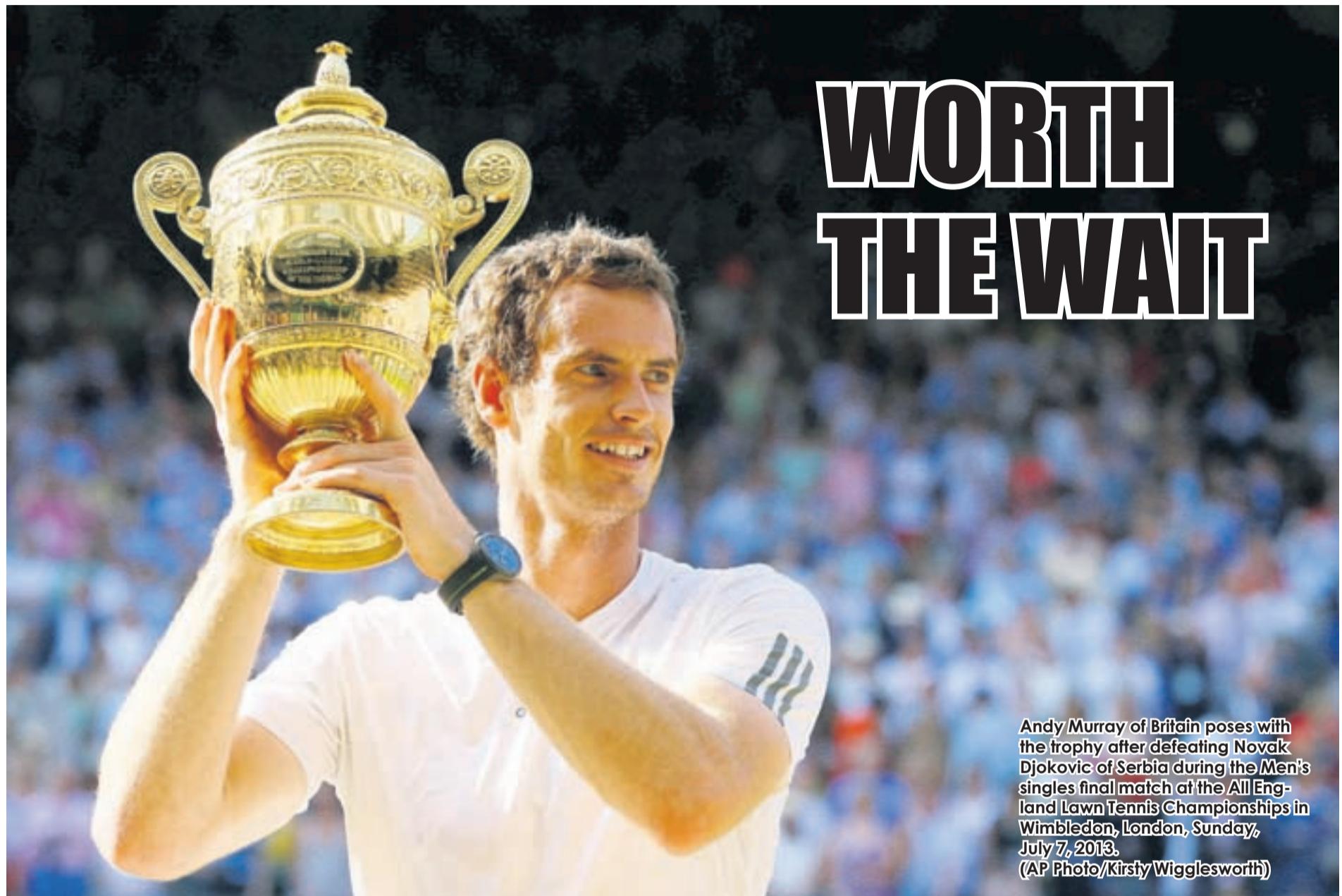
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Andy Murray of Britain poses with the trophy after defeating Novak Djokovic of Serbia during the Men's singles final match at the All England Lawn Tennis Championships in Wimbledon, London, Sunday, July 7, 2013.
(AP Photo/Kirsty Wigglesworth)

Murray ends Britain's 77-year drought at Wimbledon

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LONDON (AP) — Andy Murray needed one more point, one solitary point, to win Wimbledon — a title he yearned to earn for himself, of course, and also for his country. Britain had endured 77 years since one of its own claimed the men's trophy at the revered tournament referred to around here simply as The Championships, and now here was Murray, on the brink of triumph after 3 hours of grueling tennis against top-seeded Novak Djokovic under a vibrant sun at Centre Court.

Up 40-love, Murray failed to convert his first match point. And his second.

And then his third, too. On and on the contest, and accompanying tension, stretched, Murray unable to close it, Djokovic unwilling to yield, the minutes certainly feeling like hours to those playing and those watching. Along came three break points for Djokovic, all erased. Finally, on Murray's fourth chance to end it, Djokovic dumped a backhand into the net. The final was over.

The wait was over. A year after coming oh-so-close by losing in the title match at the All England Club, the No. 2-ranked Murray beat No. 1 Djokovic 6-4, 7-5, 6-4 Sunday to become Wimbledon's champion in a test of will and skill be-

tween a pair of men with mirror-image defensive styles that created lengthy points brimming with superb shot making.

"That last game will be the toughest game I'll play in my career. Ever," said Murray, who was born in Dunblane, Scotland, and is the first British man to win the grass-court Grand Slam tournament since Fred Perry in 1936. "Winning Wimbledon — I still can't believe it. Can't get my head around that. I can't believe it."

For several seasons, Murray was the outsider looking in, while Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal and Djokovic collected 30 out of 31 Grand Slam titles. But now Murray has clearly and completely

turned the Big 3 into a Big 4, having reached the finals at the last four major tournaments he entered (he withdrew from the French Open in May because of a bad back). And he's now a two-time Slam champion, having defeated Djokovic in five sets at the U.S. Open in September.

All this from a guy who lost his first four major finals, including against Federer at Wimbledon in 2012. After that defeat, Murray's voice cracked and tears rolled as he told the crowd, "I'm getting closer."

How prescient. Four weeks later, on the same court, he beat Federer for a gold medal at the London Olympics, a transformative vic-

tory if ever there was one. "You need that self-belief in the important moments," observed Djokovic, a six-time major champion from Serbia, "and he's got it now." Murray's mother, Judy, who is Britain's Fed Cup captain, agreed that the setback 12 months ago "was a turning point in some ways." "Every time you have a really tough loss, a loss that really hurts you," she said, "I think you learn a lot about how to handle the occasions better going forward." Murray trailed 4-1 in the second set Sunday, and 4-2 in the third, before wiggling his way back in front each time.

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Wimbledon

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He won the last four games, breaking for a 5-4 lead when Djokovic flubbed a forehand, setting off a standing ovation and sustained applause from the 15,000 spectators that lasted more than a full minute. When he got out of his changeover chair, preparing to serve for the championship, an earsplitting roar accompanied his trek to the baseline.

Djokovic missed a backhand, Murray smacked a backhand winner and added a 211 kph (131 mph) service winner, and suddenly one point was all that remained between him and history. That's where things got a tad complicated.

On match point No. 1, Djokovic capped a 12-stroke exchange with a forehand volley winner. On No. 2, Djokovic hit a backhand return winner off a 135 kph (84 mph) second serve. On No. 3, Murray sailed a backhand long on the ninth shot.

Now it was deuce.

"I started to feel nervous and started thinking about

what just happened," Murray said. "There's a lot of things you're thinking of at that moment."

The match continued for eight additional points. Seemed to take an eternity.

"Just how that last game went, my head was kind of everywhere. I mean, some of the shots he came up with were unbelievable," Murray said. "At the end of the match, I didn't quite know what was going on. Just a lot of different emotions."

Any of Djokovic's break points in that game would have made it 5-all, and who knows what toll that would have taken on Murray's mind? But Murray erased the first two chances with a service winner, then a forehand winner on the 21st stroke.

At deuce for a third time, Djokovic conjured up a forehand passing winner to get his third break point. Murray dropped his head and placed his hands on his knees. The crowd clapped rhythmically and shouted, "Andy! Andy!" They couldn't know it, but their man wouldn't lose another point. □

2013 Wimbledon Champions

Men's Singles — Andy Murray (2), Britain
Women's Singles — Marion Bartoli (15), France
Men's Doubles — Bob and Mike Bryan (1), United States
Women's Doubles — Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, and Peng Shuai (8), China
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Senior Gentlemen's Invitation Doubles — Pat Cash and Mark Woodforde (1), Australia
Ladies' Invitation Doubles — Lindsay Davenport, United States, and Martina Hingis, Switzerland
Boys' Singles — Gianluigi Quinzi (6), Italy
Girls' Singles — Belinda Bencic (1), Switzerland
Boys' Doubles — Thanasi Kokkinakis and Nick Kyrgios, Australia
Girls' Doubles — Barbora Krejcikova and Katerina Siniakova (1), Czech Republic
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Andy Murray of Britain returns to Novak Djokovic of Serbia during the Men's singles final match at the All England Lawn Tennis Championships in Wimbledon, London, Sunday, July 7, 2013.

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Dixon wins in IndyCar Series Pocono return

DAN GELSTON

AP Sports Writer

LONG POND, Pennsylvania

(AP) — Scott Dixon led a big day for Chip Ganassi Racing, leading a podium sweep for the team with a win Sunday at the IndyCar Series event at Pocono Raceway.

Dixon was followed by Ganassi teammates Charlie Kimball and Dario Franchitti in IndyCar's first race at Pocono since 1989.

Dixon's 30th career IndyCar victory was his first of the season. He struggled racing up front all season and had led only one lap, at the Indianapolis 500.

He caught a big break when Tony Kanaan clipped Dixon's car on a pass for the lead and was forced to pit road. Dixon dominated down the stretch of the 400-mile race and became IndyCar's eighth different winner in 11 races this season.

"Going into this morning, I was not thinking we could win," Dixon said. "The team definitely hasn't given up, and you've got to hand it to Honda as well. I think fuel mileage was the key today. And we still had speed up front without having to save all the time."

Andretti Autosport qualified three drivers on the front row. But James Hinchcliffe and Ryan Hunter-Reay were involved in accidents and Marco Andretti faded over the final laps. This was the first time Ganassi swept a podium in any form of racing: IndyCar, CART, NASCAR or Grand-Am. It was the 100th win in all forms of motorsports for Chip Ganassi Racing and the 200th in IndyCar competition for engine manufacturer Honda.

"I had no idea we'd go 1-2-3," Ganassi said. "I was just hoping for a decent finish today."

Dixon won for the first time since Mid-Ohio in August 2012 and Kimball matched his career-best finish.

"It's been a long drought, man," Dixon said. □

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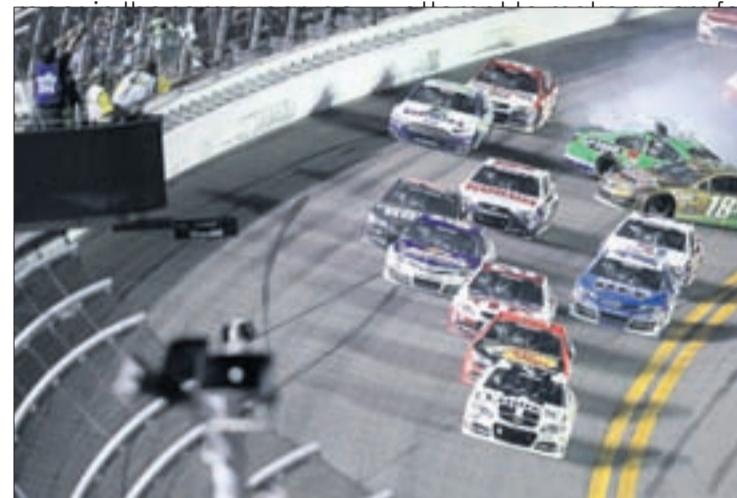
Johnson wins first Daytona double in 31 years

JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

DAYTONA BEACH, Florida

(AP) — Jimmie Johnson became the first driver in 31 years to win both Daytona



Jimmie Johnson, front right, heads to the finish line to win the NASCAR Sprint Cup auto race as Kyle Busch (18) and Danica Patrick wreck on the last lap at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla.

to do anything Bobby has done is pretty special."

The five-time NASCAR champion was the leader on the restart for a two-lap sprint to the finish in

overtime. He held off Kevin Harvick on the restart, and then pulled out front to a sizeable lead. Tony Stewart moved into second and may have been timing his

definitely had a fast car. I mean, they had a fast car at the 500, they had a fast car here, so it makes sense." Harvick thought the outcome would have been different if anyone had been able to get a push past Johnson.

"We could have done the same thing in clean air," Harvick said. "The front car is in a lot better control."

Clint Bowyer was fourth and team co-owner Michael Waltrip fifth in a pair of Toyotas. Then came Kurt Busch, Jamie McMurray and Dale Earnhardt Jr. as Chevrolets took six of the top eight spots and seven of the top 10.

Casey Mears was ninth in a Ford, followed by Ryan Newman.

The race was stopped for almost nine minutes for a six-car accident with 11 laps remaining that included yet another vicious hit for Denny Hamlin.

Hamlin's car inexplicably turned right and spun hard into the wall on the front straight. It then turned back into traffic and Hamlin was tagged hard by A.J. Allmendinger in a hit that caused his car to lift off the ground.

Both he and Allmendinger had to collect themselves after climbing from their cars, but both were medically evaluated and released from the infield care center. Hamlin missed four races earlier this season with a compression fracture in a vertebra in his lower back, and took a hard hit last Sunday at Kentucky. He tested Monday at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, but had to be evaluated by a doctor on site before he got in the car.

Also involved in the late accident with Hamlin and Allmendinger were Matt Kenseth, Hamlin's Joe Gibbs Racing teammate, and Jeff Gordon. □

Formula One:

Sebastian Vettel wins 1st GP race at home

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NUERBURGRING, Germany

(AP) — Pushed hard by a driver who may become his teammate, Sebastian Vettel finally won at home in Germany in a race that featured some dangerous incidents Sunday.

The three-time defending Formula One champion surged ahead in his Red Bull by the first curve and then had to resist the challenge of two fast Lotus cars. He took the checkered flag one second ahead of Kimi Raikkonen, who is being mentioned as Vettel's possible future colleague.

"It was a tough race. It was one of the toughest for a long time," Vettel said after his fourth victory of the season. "I am happy the race was 60 laps and not 61 or 62, the Lotus were incredibly fast and pushing very hard, and Kimi was putting a lot of pressure on me at the end — he was a bit

quicker.

"It's incredible to win at home, a great relief. It's sweet to win here, but at the end it's just another race. I'm happy to take (the) win and score some points."

Vettel had been without a

win in Europe for 22 months and — more obscurely — had never won a race in July. Vettel's 30th career victory extended his championship lead to 34 points over Ferrari driver Fernando Alonso, who finished fourth. Raikkonen moved up to third, 41 points behind Vettel. There were no tire blowouts but the race had its share of bizarre incidents, including a loose wheel flying through the air in the pit lane and an abandoned car drifting on its own down the track. □



Red Bull driver Sebastian Vettel of Germany steers his car in front of Lotus driver Romain Grosjean of France and Lotus driver Kimi Raikkonen of Finland during the German Formula One Grand Prix at the Nuerburgring racetrack, in Nuerburg, Germany, Sunday, July 7, 2013. Vettel won the race ahead of Lotus drivers Raikkonen and Grosjean.

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Rare task for LA Lakers:
Getting over a breakup**BILLY WITZ**

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LOS ANGELES - Leave it to Kobe Bryant to have the last word. After Dwight Howard phoned Mitch Kupchak, the Lakers' general manager, late Friday with the news that he was signing with the Houston Rockets - for \$30 million less than the Lakers could offer - Bryant took to Twitter with a gesture that spoke more forcefully than any 140 characters could.

He stopped following Howard.

Considering the awkward discomfort that Howard expressed about playing for coach Mike D'Antoni, his chafing at the sometimes overbearing Bryant and the lack of overt signs that Howard was ready to commit to being the Lakers' next franchise cornerstone, the departure probably did not come as a surprise to anyone in the NBA - except, perhaps, the Lakers.

They do not lose marquee players but collect them, seemingly like championship banners: Wilt Chamberlain, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Shaquille O'Neal, Pau Gasol and Bryant, among others. Bryant returned nine years ago despite an uncertain future after the departure of O'Neal and coach Phil Jackson.

As Bryant's reaction indicated, moving on will not be easy for the Lakers, who have only \$3.2 million to find a free-agent replacement.

The immediate hope is that Bryant, who turns 35 next month, can return to form after tearing his Achilles' tendon in April and that Gasol plays better as a more central figure without

Howard. The Lakers could then make a big move next summer; the only contract on the books for the 2014-15 season belongs to Steve Nash. A free-agent bonanza looms next year, with LeBron James, Carmelo Anthony, Dwyane Wade, Zach Randolph, Rudy Gay, Chris Bosh, Dirk Nowitzki and Luol Deng potentially joining the market. If the Lakers flop next season and end up in the draft lottery, they could have a high pick in what is projected as a deep pool of talent.

"The smart play would be to hold off for next summer," said Steve Kerr, a TNT analyst and a former Phoenix Suns general manager. "They could have a fresh start, and it's supposed to be a great draft, too. If they can stand having a lousy season, they would be in position to bounce back pretty quickly."

Kerr said Howard's decision could be a boon for the Lakers in the long run. Howard would have been tied to the team with a five-year, \$118 million contract, but he had back trouble the last two seasons and might not return to the All-Star form he displayed with the Orlando Magic.

"He's an All-Star, a great player, but I don't think he's a superstar at this stage of his career," Kerr said. "Even though it feels like Houston hit a home run and the Lakers struck out, I wouldn't count on it. Dwight's a physical specimen and an incredible presence defensively, but it's tough to run your offense through him. He's not a good passer, and you can't rely on him to get baskets down the stretch against a really good defense." □

Tour de France:
Froome shows he can take punches**JOHN LEICESTER****AP Sports Writer****BAGNERES-DE-BIGORRE, France (AP)**

— The mighty mountains of the Pyrenees offered at least two important insights about Tour de France leader Chris Froome: He can land terrible blows to his rivals with his grinding uphill speed and can take their punches, too. In short, if the Briton in the yellow jersey perhaps isn't unbeatable, he seems very close to it.

After nine hectic days of racing over 1,513 kilometers (940 miles), the Tour luxuriates in its first rest day on Monday. The pause allows the contenders for victory in Paris on July 21 to lick their wounds and regroup after Froome knocked them dizzy and grabbed the race lead with a triumphant first day of climbing in the Pyrenees on Saturday. But they'll also be running the opportunity they collectively wasted the very next day on Sunday to hurt Froome right back.

On what may well prove to have been one of the toughest and decisive days of this 100th Tour, and certainly one of the most tactical and interesting, Froome's rivals isolated him from his Sky teammates and forced him to ride alone — one man against many — up four consecutive climbs as jagged as sharks' teeth. But they could not make Froome crack.

"That was one of the hardest days that I've ever had on a bike," the 2012 Tour runner-up said after defending his yellow jersey. The rival who harassed Froome most, with successive squirts of acceleration on the last climb, was Nairo Quintana. The lesson

the Colombian drew from this drama amid pine forests and peaks with stubborn patches of snow was: "That we can break down his team a little, but that he can defend himself and is very strong."

Sky's impressive climbing on Saturday was in some respects reminiscent of the way Lance Armstrong's U.S.

cut, depriving Froome of his services for the Tour's last two weeks.

"It's quite nice to see that they're human," Froome said of his teammates. "I think it's quite understandable considering the amount of work they did." For some rivals, Sky's difficulties on Sunday reinforced suspicions that the



Christopher Froome of Britain, wearing the overall leader's yellow jersey, and Nairo Alexander Quintana of Colombia, wearing the best young rider's white jersey, in third position, speed down Val Louron-Azet pass during the ninth stage of the Tour de France cycling race over 168.5 kilometers (105.3 miles) with start in Saint-Girons and finish in Bagnères-de-Bigorre, Pyrenees region, France, Sunday July 7 2013.

(AP Photo/Laurent Cipriani)

Postal Service team would exhaust his rivals. But the way Sky wilted on Sunday definitely was not. Doped up on hormones, blood transfusions and other performance-enhancers, Armstrong's teammates rarely looked human like this. This Tour is the first since Armstrong was stripped last year of his seven titles for serial doping.

Seemingly drained by their monster efforts a day earlier, Froome's support riders quickly burned out. The day started badly for Sky when Peter Kennaugh crashed. He was treated for grazes and continued. It also ended less than ideally when Vasili Kiryienka rode in too slowly and missed the time

team isn't as strong as in 2012, when Bradley Wiggins and Froome finished one and two on the podium in Paris. Some riders were surprised that Sky wore itself out so quickly trying to control Stage 9.

"They are not unbeatable," said Jakob Fuglsang, the Dane who finished second behind stage winner Daniel Martin. "They blew themselves up one by one."

Martin's Garmin-Sharp team was particularly aggressive, with different riders distinguishing themselves with their go-get racing at different parts of the 168.5-kilometer (105-mile) slog from Saint-Girons to Bagnères-de-Bigorre. □

McDowell masters back nine to win French Open

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SAINT-QUENTIN-EN-YVELINES, France (AP) — Tied with Richard Sterne of



Graeme McDowell of Northern Ireland attempts the second shot on the fairway of the fifth hole during the final round of the French Open Golf tournament at Paris National course in Guyancourt, west of Paris, Sunday, July 7, 2013.

(AP Photo)

South Africa in the final round of the French Open, Graeme McDowell didn't blink on the back nine. The Northern Irishman made two of his five birdies on the way home to shoot a 4-under 67 Sunday and

the turn with three bogeys to hit a 71 and finish runner-up.

"Thankfully I've managed to learn how to calm my emotions and learn how to respond under pressure, sometimes," McDowell

said. "I'm starting to become very comfortable under pressure."

McDowell won the World Match-Play Championship in May, but missed the cut in his three following tournaments. That could have given rise to doubt on the tough Albatross course of Le Golf National, which will host the Ryder Cup in 2018, but he put that aside to finish in style.

"There was no real panic button," McDowell said. "It's been a funny season. Inconsistent, yes. But when it's been good, it's been really good."

Graeme Storm of England, the 2007 winner, and Eduardo De La Riva of Spain shot 69s to share third place, five strokes off the pace.

McDowell played solidly throughout the tournament, making only four bogeys in four rounds. In fifth place after the second round, the 2010 U.S. Open

champion started believing in his chances on Saturday.

"The last 12, 13 holes yesterday, I felt the old juices kind of starting to flow again," McDowell said. "I hit a lot of quality shots coming in yesterday, and I got a lot of belief from that. You know, if the putter had been a little hotter perhaps I could have got my nose in front a little earlier in this tournament."

McDowell and Sterne entered the final round with a share of the lead and both broke away from the field by making two birdies for a three-shot advantage after five holes.

Sterne won the Joburg Open in South Africa and was the runner-up at the Dubai Desert Classic, both in February.

"He really hung in there, played some great golf, and I knew it was not going to be an easy day," McDowell said. □

United won't sell Rooney; striker silent on future

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MANCHESTER, England

(AP) — After categorically stating that Wayne Rooney is not for sale, new Manchester United manager David Moyes was less forthcoming about what the striker plans to do ahead of the upcoming Premier League season.

Rooney's future has been mired in uncertainty since he told Alex Ferguson that he wanted a transfer before the manager's surprise retirement in May.

The 27-year-old Rooney had grown frustrated at being dropped and substituted in key matches as Robin van Persie emerged as United's leading striker on the charge to a record-extending 20th English title. But with two years remaining on Rooney's contract, United doesn't appear willing to allow the Moyes era to begin with a leading player joining a rival club.

"Wayne is not for sale," Moyes said at his first news conference since replacing Ferguson. "He's a Manchester United player and he will remain a Manchester United player."

When asked if Rooney had told him categorically that he no longer wanted to leave, Moyes responded evasively: "I can tell you categorically Wayne Rooney is training fantastically well in the last two days, that's all I can categorically tell you."

Rooney is yet to publicly discuss his push to leave United, which was first revealed by Ferguson, opting not to address the issue among his many tweets over the summer or when interviewed during United's Premier League trophy parade in May. Moyes was Everton manager when Rooney was reluctantly sold to Ferguson's United in 2004. The pair appear to be back on good terms despite Moyes launching successful legal action against Rooney about allegations in the player's autobiography about his Everton departure. □

Uruguay beats Spain to reach U20 WC semis

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Associated Press

ISTANBUL (AP) — Substitute Felipe Avenatti scored in extra time to give Uruguay a 1-0 win over Spain in the quarterfinals of the Under-20 World Cup.

Avenatti had been on for five minutes when the 1.96-meter tall striker scored with a fierce header at the near post from Giorgian De Arrascaeta's corner in the 103rd.

It's the fourth time Uruguay has reached the last four in the competition. It will play Iraq or South Korea for a place in the final.

Earlier Saturday, France beat Uzbekistan 4-0 to set up a semifinal against Ghana or Chile. The remaining quarterfinals are scheduled for Sunday.

Spain was the only team in the quarterfinals to have won all matches and was widely regarded as a favorite for the title.

In a high-paced first half, Spain dominated possession with its typical short passing in midfield. Winger Gerard Deulofeu's curling corner kick hit the crossbar

in the 19th and midfielder Suso forced Uruguay keeper Guillermo De Amores into a diving save in the last minute of the first half.

Leonardo Pais and Giorgian De Arrascaeta came

the second half, causing booing from the stands. In the last 20 minutes, Spain stepped up a gear again after coach Julen Lopetegui brought Paco Alacacer. The central strik-

jury time, Spain goalkeeper Daniel Sotres just managed to push the ball away from the goalline following a backward header from Uruguay substitute Diego Rolan.



Spain goalkeeper Ruben Yanez, left, and Spain's Oliver, right, look at the ball getting into the net for Uruguay's Felipe Avenatti to score, during the Under-20 World Cup quarter final soccer match between Uruguay and Spain at Ataturk stadium in Bursa, Turkey. Uruguay won 1-0.

(AP Photo/Gero Breloer)

close for Uruguay but they both sent their headers just off target.

The match slowed down in

er immediately created danger but directed his header over the crossbar. In the second minute of in-

Sotres hit his head against the goalpost and was replaced by Ruben Yanez for extra time. □



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Experts warn West Nile outbreak could repeat

Todd Ackerman

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Just weeks into mosquitoes' prime blood-sucking season, Texas public health officials are bracing for a possible encore of 2012's horrendous West Nile outbreak.

Predicting centers of West Nile activity might be like forecasting hurricane landfalls, but the officials said last year's historically bad season, when Texas' 1,868 cases and 89 deaths were the most in the nation, should snap everyone out of their complacency about the threat this time of year.

"While it's difficult to predict what type of West Nile season we'll have this year, we are on high alert and ready to respond if another outbreak appears imminent," said Christine Mann, spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Health and Human Services.

Dr. Kristy Murray, a professor in Baylor College of Medicine's School of Tropical Medicine who researches West Nile in Texas, said if historical patterns are any guide, the state "will have a good number of cases, not as many as last year but close." She said that's what typically has happened after West Nile's peak years in Texas.

West Nile's resurgence in Texas last summer, after a few quiet years, took a serious toll. The fatalities represented more than twice as many as the state had in a single year, attributable to the virus affecting the nervous system of a reported 844 people, more than the previous eight years combined.

The usually rare, more severe form of the disease,

known as neuroinvasive West Nile, kills 10 percent of those afflicted and leaves many others with paralysis or other lasting weaknesses.

The Dallas area was the epicenter of last year's outbreak - four adjacent counties combined for 872 cases - but Harris County's 116 cases represented the most recorded in one year in Houston and the rest of the county. Four of the infected people died, compared to 20 in Dallas.

Virus evolving

Alan Barnett, a virologist at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston who sequences virus strains, last fall told the journal Nature that "we are definitely seeing evolution of the virus." But he added we really don't understand what "causes more or less disease from year to year."

The 2013 season has gotten off to a slow start, with just two Texas human cases, one 150 miles north of Houston. The virus has not been detected in any dead birds, and it's turned up in mosquito traps in five counties, down from 10 at this time last year. The five include Harris and Brazoria. Harris County Mosquito Control has found mosquitoes testing positive for the virus in four neighborhoods, three of them in the last week - the 77396 ZIP code in Humble, the 77346 ZIP code in nearby Atascocita, the 77373 ZIP code near Spring and the 77396 ZIP code in Baytown. Spraying is ongoing in each.

"To date, we're definitely having less West Nile activity than last year at this time," said Rudy Bueno, director of mosquito control in Harris County. □

Having breathing difficulties? Try singing

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AP Medical Writer

LONDON (AP) — In a third-floor room of a London hospital with orange and white walls draped with Tibetan prayer flags, roughly a dozen people gathered recently to perform vocal exercises and sing songs, including folk music from Ghana and Polynesia. While the participants were drawn to the session by a fondness for music, they also had an ulterior motive for singing: to cope better with lung disease. The weekly group is led by a professional musician and is offered to people with respiratory problems including asthma, emphysema, and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disorder, or COPD. Doctors at London's Royal Brompton Hospital started the program after reasoning that the kind of breathing used by singers might also help lung patients. "Since many people enjoy singing, we thought it would help them associate controlling their breathing with something pleasant and positive rather than a standard physiotherapy technique," said Dr. Nicholas Hopkinson, the hospital's top chest physician. "It's almost accidental that they learn something about their breathing through singing," he said. People with COPD have damaged lungs, which limits how much air they can breathe in and out. "They take many rapid, shallow breaths and that makes it even harder for them," he said. Hopkinson said learning to sing gives patients better posture and teaches them to breathe at a more manageable rate. Still, two trials on the singing therapy conducted by Hopkinson and colleagues haven't found much im-

provement in patients' performance on breathing tests. "The lung function test doesn't change because the underlying disease hasn't changed," he explained. Hopkinson said that in a study comparing patients who went to the singing class versus those who attended a film discussion group, only the patients who sang reported feeling physically better afterwards, even if it couldn't be measured objectively. Other experts agreed the

treatments. "Not everybody wants to sing but everybody can learn exercises to help them," said Julia Bott, a spokeswoman for Britain's Chartered Society of Physiotherapy. She said other activities like yoga and tai chi had breathing techniques similar to the types of physio exercises respiratory patients are usually taught.

Bott also said the breathing techniques used for singing would probably only be helpful for people with



John Cameron-Turner participates in a singing class at Royal Brompton Hospital in London. The weekly group is led by a professional musician and is offered to people with respiratory problems including asthma, emphysema, and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disorder, or COPD.

(AP Photo/Sang Tan)

singing therapy was an unusual but worthy approach. "There's a sound physiological rationale for this," said Dr. Norman Edelman, chief medical officer of the American Lung Association. "Controlled breathing, like the kind you might learn in singing, is very important because people with COPD should try to take deep breaths and slowly synchronize each breath when they're doing something like walking up stairs," he said.

Some experts said singing would probably only appeal to a minority of patients and emphasized it could not replace tradi-

mild problems. "If you've got severe disease, it will be pretty hard to sing if you're panting and out of breath," she said. Bott said the songs used would also have to be pretty basic. "No one is going to be singing any Wagnerian operas after this," she said.

John Cameron Turner, 77, is convinced the singing classes have helped him breathe easier. Diagnosed with severe emphysema in 2002, Turner has tried various medicines but said none have really helped. "I have damaged lungs, but singing helps me use as much of them as possible," he said. □

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Opening Bell: 2Q earnings: A season of low expectations

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NEW YORK (AP) — For Corporate America, it's the season of low expectations.

Companies have been scaling back their earnings forecasts for weeks as part of a quarterly cat-and-mouse game with financial analysts. It's not OK just to report a strong second-quarter profit — they also need to beat analysts' forecasts. And companies are eager to do just that. Earnings season gets started Monday, when aluminum giant Alcoa Inc. reports results after the stock market close.

Wall Street analysts now predict that earnings for companies in the Standard & Poor's 500 rose 3 percent in the second quarter compared with a year earlier, according to a survey by S&P Capital IQ. But as recently as April 1, they thought earnings would rise nearly 7 percent. At the start of the year, they forecast a 9 percent increase. Companies that provide raw materials and technology firms are expected to drag down growth.

Another reason for the drop? Eighty seven of the 111 S&P 500 companies that offered guidance were negative.

"You really have to take it with a grain of salt," said Christine Short, associate director at S&P Capital IQ. Last quarter, she said, 65 percent of companies beat financial analysts' estimates.

Quarterly growth over the past 15 years has averaged 8 percent. In the last eight quarters, analysts' estimates have underplayed growth by about 4 percentage points, accord-

ing to Short. That would mean earnings in the second quarter just ended are more likely to rise around 7 percent.

There are plenty of areas that could help lift corporate profits. Americans' confidence is up and they are willing to spend again. The housing market re-

second quarter last year. That would be the second-highest quarterly earnings, only topped by the all-time high of \$26.71 during this year's first quarter.

Howard Silverblatt, a senior index analyst with S&P Dow Jones Indices, said the earnings should propel the S&P 500 index past its

costs — which is of course important — but it's unsustainable," Short said. "At some point you need to grow that top line."

Profits at mining and other companies that provide gold, aluminum and similar products are expected to slow because of lower commodity prices. Growth



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bound is also expected to push up earnings of home construction companies such as DR Horton Inc., Lennar Corp. and PulteGroup Inc. The consumer discretionary sector, which includes retailers like Target Corp., entertainment companies like Walt Disney Co. and the homebuilders, is expected to see growth of 12 percent.

The financial sector is also expected to see a jump, with 16 percent growth from a year earlier.

An aggregate of the S&P 500's earnings per share is estimated at \$26.41, up from \$25.67 reported in the

record close of 1,669.16 on May 21.

"The guidance has been negative, but not as much as historically," Silverblatt said.

Still, there are concerns. Short points out that earnings are only part of the picture. She's scrutinizing revenue growth, which is predicted to slow by 0.3 percent from last year's second quarter. If that holds true, it would be the first revenue slowdown since the third quarter of 2009, just after the recession ended.

"Companies have gotten very good at managing

for their profits is expected to pull back by 4 percent.

The technology sector isn't looking promising either. Personal computer sales have slumped, hurting Dell Inc. and Hewlett-Packard Co. But the real drag is Apple Inc.

The company isn't launching any new products and is expected to earn \$7.37 a share, down from \$9.32 last year, according to FactSet. Apple accounts for about 15 percent of the sector's weight, so its earnings drop brings down the entire group. Growth in IT earnings will slow by 5 percent. □

Keystone's gulf coast leg is 80% done

Jennifer A. Dlouhy

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The northern leg of TransCanada's Keystone XL pipeline may be mired in controversy, but the southern portion of the project is almost complete, company officials said Friday.

Dubbed the Gulf Coast Pipeline, that southern leg is on track to begin carrying up to 700,000 barrels of oil per day from Cushing, Okla., to Nederland in southeast Texas by year-end.

Eventually, TransCanada expects to be able to ramp up capacity to 830,000 barrels per day.

"The Gulf Coast Pipeline is over 80 percent complete," said Grady Semmens, a TransCanada Corp. spokesman. He said the company still has to tie the pipeline in to existing infrastructure and complete some pump stations. Inspections will follow.

He said testing is under way and that the commissioning process, which must be complete before the pipeline begins commercial service, will begin soon.

Environmental activists and some Texas landowners opposed to the pipeline have attempted to thwart construction by camping in trees, locking themselves to equipment and demonstrating in the path of working machinery.

Unlike the 485-mile southern portion of the project, which crosses no international boundaries, the northern leg of Keystone XL would run from Canada and is subject to State Department approval. That requires a finding that the project is in the national interest. □

Three funds that made sense of a bewildering market

TIM GRAY

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In a hurly-burly quarter, with some stock-market sectors sagging and others surging, managers of three of the top-performing mutual funds managed to find rising returns in places as varied as restaurants, roadsters and robots.

HOME COOKING IN TEXAS

The Hodges Fund, based in Dallas, is a go-anywhere offering; it can buy "anything that looks like it ought to be trading higher in 18 months," said Don W. Hodges, who manages the fund with his son, Craig. "We do small, medium and large companies. We go for growth and value stocks."

The fund's charter lets the two men invest abroad, but mostly they don't, the father said.

"We're at a disadvantage internationally," he said.

"You can't be in close touch with the markets."

Their only recent non-domestic holding was Toyota, which sells many of its cars in the United States.

The elder Hodges is an old-school stock picker who prefers chats with a company's customers and competitors to computer algorithms when hunting for stocks. He encountered Michael Kors Holdings, the fashion design and retailing company, while visiting a mall with his wife. And he decided to buy shares of Luby's, the restaurant chain, partly because he'd dined in other restaurants owned by the Houston restaurateurs Christopher J. and Harris J. Pappas. The Pappas brothers lead Luby's, with Christopher Pappas serving as president and CEO and Harris Pappas as a director.

"They're good operators, and they make excellent food," Don Hodges said. Luby's exemplifies a recent tendency for the managers: a focus on their home state. The fund's top three holdings as of May 31 all hailed from Texas: the Texas Pacific Land Trust as

INVESTING IN INNOVATION

Like the father-and-son team at Hodges, Tom F. Marsico, who manages the Marsico Global fund with James G. Gendelman, has the freedom to invest wherever he finds opportunity. He can buy companies of any size and



Tom Marsico of the Marsico Global fund, who recently returned to buying shares of drug companies in looking for growth stocks at his office in Denver, July 1, 2013. Managers of some of the better-performing mutual funds in the second quarter found strength in diverse holdings.

(Chris Schneider/The New York Times)

well as A.H. Belo, the media company, and Luby's. Overall, nearly a third of the 30 stocks in the portfolio were Texas-based.

Texas Pacific, one of the Lone Star State's largest landowners, has been part of the portfolio since 2006, Hodges said. The trust, created out of the bankruptcy of the Texas and Pacific Railway in the late 1800s, owns nearly a million Texas acres and generates income from oil-pumping royalties and cattle-grazing leases.

"Every year, the land is worth more," he said.

The Hodges Fund, which has an expense ratio of 1.43 percent, began in 1992. Since then, it has returned an annualized average of 9.4 percent. It returned 9.43 percent in the second quarter this year.

in any country, though he has lately hewed to the United States and Europe. He's choosier than the Hodges Fund in at least one respect: He seeks out growth companies - that is, those that he believes can increase earnings at above-average rates.

Recently, that inclination led him to drugmakers like Roche Holdings, Biogen Idec and Gilead Sciences, three of the fund's top holdings on April 30.

Just a few years ago, Marsico shied from pharmaceuticals, partly out of concern that product pipelines at bigger drug companies seemed puny. He said he recently returned because he had noticed the beginnings of a new wave of innovation.

Marsico started Marsico Capital Management in 1997 in Denver but has

managed Marsico Global only since 2011, when another manager left. The fund, with an expense ratio of 1.6 percent, returned 5.9 percent in the second quarter.

BIG TRENDS, SMALL STOCKS

John P. Bichelmeier, lead manager of Buffalo Emerging Opportunities, also hunts for growth companies. But his fund buys shares only of little ones - microcaps, which he defines as having market values of less than \$1 billion. To identify promising micros, Bichelmeier and the co-manager, Craig A. Richard, first look for demographic and economic trends that should help to propel small, growing enterprises.

The trends must be "common-sense, easy to identify and easy to measure," Bichelmeier said.

Among them are the growth of mobile telephony and social media, cost containment in health care and the substitution of technology for labor in manufacturing and other industries.

That third trend led them to iRobot, in Bedford, Mass. The company makes small robots that have cleared bombs and operated roadside sentries for the military in Iraq and Afghanistan, as well as some that clean pools, floors and gutters for property owners in the United States. The company's military business has slackened recently, Bichelmeier said. □

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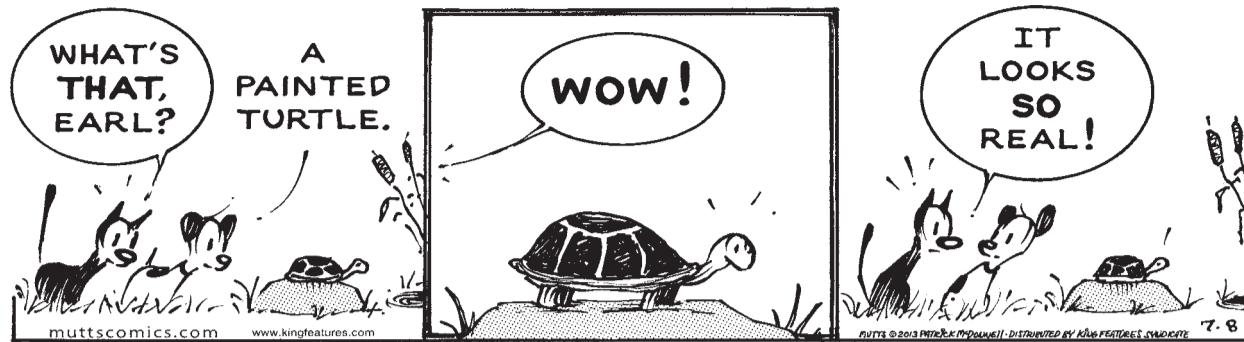
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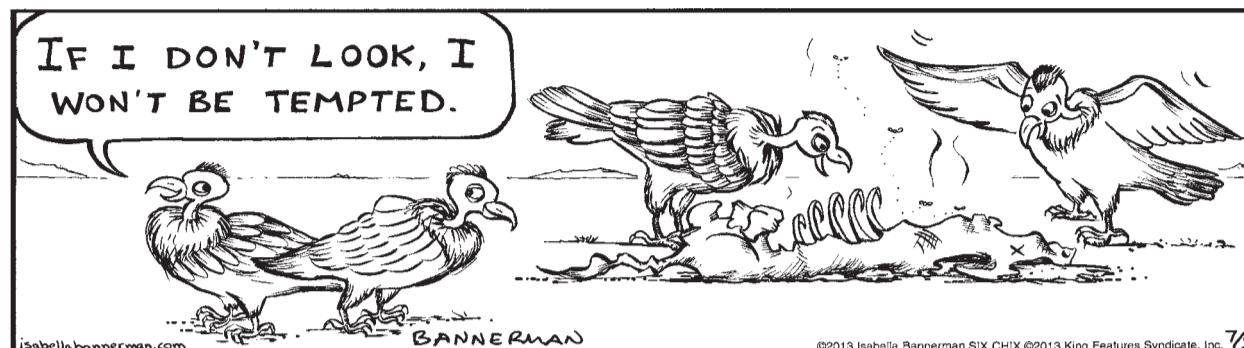
Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

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Saturday's puzzle answer

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6 Chix



Blondie



Mother Goose & Grimm



Baby Blues



Zits



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8	1	6	2	3	5	7	4	9

ACROSS

- 1 Sweet potato
- 4 Deep pit
- 9 Many a resident of the Balkans
- 13 Wading bird
- 15 Skier's incline
- 16 Run __; flee
- 17 __ up; confined
- 18 Groucho's prop
- 19 Circus enclosure
- 20 Benumbing
- 22 Encourage
- 23 Pull hard on
- 24 Corn cob
- 26 Boost; raise the spirits of
- 29 Rasp-voiced actress Carol
- 34 Computer command
- 35 Healthy
- 36 __ Ripken Jr.
- 37 Ping-__; table tennis
- 38 In distress
- 39 Paper towel brand
- 40 One who raised Cain?
- 41 Makes bootees
- 42 Dug for ore
- 43 British soldiers in the American Revolution
- 45 Hang loosely
- 46 Tease
- 47 Capitol building roof, often
- 48 Greek cheese
- 51 Green veggie
- 56 Passionate
- 57 Revolves
- 58 Letters urging fast action
- 60 Inmate's home
- 61 Shed crocodile tears
- 62 City in Nevada
- 63 Palm or beech
- 64 Stupid
- 65 __ as a beet
- 66 Short shrill bark
- 67 Not up yet
- 68 __ up; in a row
- 69 Expenses
- 70 Colors
- 71 Cake frosting
- 72 Belly button
- 73 Forest opening
- 74 Barbecue rod
- 75 Continuous
- 76 Oil and __; salad dressing
- 77 Show to be true
- 78 __ up; support
- 79 Reality
- 80 At any time
- 81 Flooring piece
- 82 Japanese
- 83 Wrestling form
- 84 Baby's bed
- 85 Jimmy or Tommy
- 86 Italy's most famous poet
- 87 Not up yet
- 88 Backyard pond fish
- 89 One of the Three Bears
- 90 Baby's bed
- 91 __ up; support
- 92 Consumer
- 93 Of sound mind
- 94 Whale group

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Saturday's Puzzle Solved

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- 4 Upward climb
- 5 On the __; not working right
- 6 Cartoon bear
- 7 Reach across
- 8 Army NCO
- 9 Large planet
- 10 Water jug
- 11 Pealed out
- 12 Computer memory unit
- 14 Remaining
- 21 Loony
- 25 Conjunction
- 26 Certain berth
- 27 Show to be true
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Software, iPad put baseball's database a tap away

KEN BELSON

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One of the many routines that baseball players follow before a game is to wander into the video room at a stadium. There, hitters can watch video of their recent at-bats, and pitchers can get a look at the tendencies of coming opponents. But a growing number of players are spending less time slumped in front of a desktop computer and instead are preparing at their lockers, in their hotel rooms or on team planes, and nearly anywhere else by using their iPads and software created by Bloomberg Sports. About 150 major league players and coaches, like Travis Hafner, Jose Molina and C.J. Wilson, pay \$700 a season for a subscription to Pitch Review, which tailors baseball's statistical database and video of every pitch thrown to the needs of each player.

With the touch of a few buttons, hitters can watch recent outings by pitchers they will soon face, or pitchers can review hitters' at-bats. The video can be sorted by pitch type or result, hit type or result, ball-and-strike count, number of outs and runners on base. If players want, they can watch entire games in at-bat-size chunks, one after another. "It just ratchets up the information each team has and makes the chess game even more interesting," said Bill Squadron, the president of Bloomberg Sports. "It's very individual, because each player can use it the way they want."

Bloomberg Sports, which licenses the data and video from Major League Baseball Advanced Media, was

already selling an analytics product to teams. Pitch Review, which is a subset of that product, was introduced for the iPad last season and updated this year. Players who downloaded the video using Wi-Fi viewed 207,000 events, or pitches, in June, 45 percent more than in April. About one-third of the subscribers are pitchers, 35 percent are front-office staff and coaches, and catchers make up a big part of the rest.

John Buck, the veteran catcher who guides the Mets' young pitching staff, was one of the first players to use the product. When he came up with the Kansas City Royals several years ago, Buck had stacks of DVDs in his locker, which he would view on a laptop or DVD player that he lugged around. Often, the DVDs were of games that were played two or three days before. He also thumbed through scouting reports. With Pitch Review, games are often available to download within 20 minutes of their completion, which means Buck and other players can prepare while en route to their next opponent's city. Last year, Bloomberg added a function that allows players to download video so they can watch it in places where Wi-Fi is unavailable, such as on a plane.

Buck continues to read scouting reports, but Pitch Review lets him see things that may not be in the reports. For instance, a scout might say that an opposing pitcher has a good slider. But Buck said he may want to know where he throws it, in what situations and to which batters, and whether

the pitcher is hitting the catcher's target.

"As a catcher, I want to see why he missed a pitch within the flow of the game," Buck said as he flipped through at-bats by the Arizona Diamondbacks from the previous night's game. "If a hitter is hot and he's hitting, or he's cold and he's swinging and missing, I want to see where. If he is being overly aggressive, I want to see that and use that against him."

Pitch Review, Buck said, is also useful to study rookies and other players he has not seen before.

Buck says he also watches his at-bats to make sure his form is consistent. If he thinks something is wrong, he uses the send function to email video of some of his at-bats to a former teammate who now works as a hitting coach. □



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The Solar Impulse finishes historic journey

NEW YORK (AP) — A solar-powered aircraft completed the final leg of a history-making cross-country flight Saturday night, gliding to a smooth stop at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport.

The Solar Impulse touched down at JFK at 11:09 p.m. local time, completing the final leg of the cross-continental journey that started in California in early May. For Saturday's final leg, the aircraft left Dulles International Airport a little before 5 a.m. local time.

The flight plan for the revolutionary plane, powered by some 11,000 solar cells, had called for it to pass

ance issues with the wing in the early afternoon Saturday off the coast of Toms River, New Jersey, said Alenka Zibetto, a spokeswoman for Solar Impulse. Officials said the pilot and aircraft didn't appear to be in danger. They said the eight-foot tear on the lower left side of the wing wasn't expected to worsen through the final portion of the trip.

"It was supposed to be the shortest and easiest leg," said Bertrand Piccard, one of the two pilots who took turns flying the Solar Impulse across the United States. "It was the most difficult one."

Washington early Saturday.

The aircraft soars to 30,000 feet while poking along at a top speed of 45 mph (72 kph). Most of the 11,000 solar cells are on the super-long wings that seem to stretch as far as a jumbo jet's. It weighs about the size of a small car, and soars with what is essentially the power of a small motorized scooter.

The Solar Impulse left San Francisco in early May and has made stopovers in Phoenix, Dallas-Fort Worth, St. Louis, Cincinnati and Dulles.

The cross-country flight is a tuneup for a planned 2015



The solar-powered aircraft Solar Impulse completed the final leg of a history-making cross-country flight this weekend, gliding to a smooth stop at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport. (AP Photo)

the Statue of Liberty before landing early Sunday at New York. But an unexpected tear discovered on the left wing of the aircraft Saturday afternoon forced officials to scuttle the fly-by and proceed directly to JFK for a landing three hours earlier than scheduled.

Pilot Andre Borschberg trumpeted the success of the project.

"It was a huge success for renewable energy," Borschberg said while standing in front of Solar Impulse on the runway at JFK. "The only thing that failed was a piece of fabric."

Borschberg noticed bal-

Piccard said in addition to the wing issue, another problem with the landing was Borschberg's lack of air breaks to avoid making turbulence in the wing with the tear.

Despite the relatively short distance, Saturday's commuter-like hop was a long flight.

The slow-flying aircraft was traveling between two of the world's busiest airports and was required to take off very early in the morning and land very late at night, when air traffic is at a minimum.

"This is a leg where everybody is quite moved," Piccard said shortly after the plane was in the air over

flight around the globe with an up-graded version of the plane.

Solar Impulse's creators view themselves as green pioneers — promoting lighter materials, solar-powered batteries, and conservation as sexy and adventurous. Theirs is the high-flying equivalent of the Tesla electric sports car.

Europe saw the solar plane first with a test flight from Switzerland and Spain to Morocco last year.

Promoted as solar-powered, what really pushes the envelope with this plane is its miserly energy efficiency, Borschberg said before the flight. □

Scientists fabricate human livers

GINA KOLATA

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Researchers in Japan have used human stem cells to create tiny human livers like those that arise early in fetal life. When the scientists transplanted the rudimentary livers into mice, the little organs grew, made human liver proteins, and metabolized drugs as human livers do.

They and others caution that these are early days and this is still very much basic research. The liver buds, as they are called, did not turn into complete livers, and the method would have to be scaled up enormously to make enough replacement liver buds to treat a patient. Even then, the investigators say, they expect to replace only 30 percent of a patient's liver. What they are making is more like a patch than a full liver.

But the promise, in a field that has seen a great deal of dashed hopes, is immense, medical experts said.

"This is a major breakthrough of monumental significance," said Dr. Hillel Tobias, director of transplantation at the New York University School of Medicine. Tobias is chairman of the American Liver Foundation's national medical advisory committee.

"Very impressive," said Eric Lagasse of the University of Pittsburgh, who studies cell transplantation and liver disease. "It's novel and very exciting."

The study was published late last week in the journal Nature. Although human studies are years away, said Dr. Leonard Zon, director of the stem cell research program at Boston Children's Hospital, this, to his knowledge, is the first time anyone has used human stem cells, created from human skin cells, to make a functioning solid organ, like a liver, as opposed to bone marrow, a jellylike organ. Ever since they discovered how to get human stem cells — first from embryos and now, more often, from skin cells — researchers have dreamed of using the cells for replacement tissues and organs. The stem cells can turn into any type of human cell, and so it seemed logical to simply turn them into liver cells, for example, and add them to livers to fill in dead or damaged areas.

But those studies did not succeed. Liver cells did not take up residence in the liver; they did not develop blood supplies or signaling systems. They were not a cure for disease.

Other researchers tried making livers or other organs by growing cells on scaffolds. But that did not work well either. Cells would fall off the scaffolds and die, and the result was never a functioning solid organ.

Researchers have made specialized human cells in petri dishes, but not three-dimensional structures, like a liver.

The investigators, led by Dr. Takanori Takebe of the Yokohama City University Graduate School of Medicine, began with human skin cells, turning them into stem cells. By adding various stimulators and drivers of cell growth, they then turned the stem cells into human liver cells and began trying to make replacement livers.

They say they stumbled upon their solution. When they grew the human liver cells in petri dishes along with blood vessel cells from human umbilical cords and human connective tissue, that mix of cells, to their surprise, spontaneously assembled itself into three-dimensional liver buds, resembling the liver at about five or six weeks of gestation in humans.

Then the researchers transplanted the liver buds into mice, putting them in two places: on the brain and into the abdomen. The brain site allowed them to watch the buds grow. The investigators covered the hole in each animal's skull with transparent plastic, giving them a direct view of the developing liver buds. The buds grew and developed blood supplies, attaching themselves to the blood vessels of the mice. □

Weekend Box Office:**'Despicable' minions blast 'Ranger' over July 4th holiday****JAKE COYLE****AP Entertainment Writer**

NEW YORK (AP) — The minions of "Despicable Me 2" ran away with the July 4th box office, leaving the Johnny Depp Western "The Lone Ranger" in the dust. According to studio estimates Sunday, the Universal animated sequel took in \$82.5 million over the weekend and \$142.1 million across the five-day holiday window. Gore Verbinski's reimagining of the iconic lawman bombed for the Walt Disney Co., opening with just \$29.4 million over the weekend, and a disappointing \$48.9 million since Wednesday.

The trouncing for Disney was especially painful because of the high cost of "The Lone Ranger," which reportedly cost at least \$225 million to make. Made by the same team that created the lucrative Disney franchise "Pirates

of the Caribbean" (the four film series that grossed \$3.7 billion worldwide) the Western drew bad reviews and failed to capture the attention of younger moviegoers.

"We thought it would appeal to a broader audience than it did," Dave Hollis, head of distribution for Disney, said.

Based on the long-running radio program begun in 1933 and the TV series that debuted in 1949, the "Lone Ranger" brand proved a musty one.

The audience for the film skewed heavily toward older moviegoers, with 68 percent of its audience older than 25.

"You think that you have everything in place," said Hollis, listing the proven box-office commodities of Depp, Verbinski and producer Jerry Bruckheimer. "Even when you have all the ingredients for what

you think will be a four-quadrant, 'everybody' picture, sometimes it doesn't

ilarly-budgeted science-fiction adventure "John Carter," which opened

than that disappointment, since Depp's international star power should bring in



This image released by Universal Pictures shows characters Lucy, voiced by Kristen Wiig, left, and Gru, voiced by Steve Carell in "Despicable Me 2." The minions of "Despicable Me 2" ran away with the July 4th box office, leaving the Johnny Depp Western "The Lone Ranger" in the dust. (AP Photo/Universal Pictures)

work out that way."

The poor performance of "The Lone Ranger" called to mind a previous bomb for Disney: last year's sim-

with \$30.1 million.

But "The Lone Ranger," which stars Armie Hammer as the masked lawman, will likely fare better

better worldwide business. It started with \$24.3 million abroad, opening in about 30 percent of its planned international market. □

Rolling Stones return to Hyde Park after 44 years**JILL LAWLESS****Associated Press**

LONDON (AP) — The Rolling Stones returned to London's Hyde Park after 44 years with a concert that saluted both the band's past and the fleetingly idyl-

lic English summer. Mick Jagger even donned a frock for the occasion. The band played an outdoor gig for 65,000 people Saturday in the same venue as a landmark 1969 show performed two days

after the death of founding member Brian Jones. It's most often remembered for the vast crowd of more than 200,000, for Jagger quoting Percy Bysshe Shelley as eulogy to Jones — and for the white dress

Jagger wore onstage. Jagger took the stage in a similar white smock Saturday for a rendition of "Honky Tonk Women," a song the band also played in 1969.

"Just something I found in the back," he said.

Much else has changed since 1969. Then, the concert was free. On Saturday, some fans had paid 200 pounds (\$300) a ticket. Jagger turns 70 this month, drummer Charlie Watts is 72, and guitarist Keith Richards is 69.

"It's taken a while, but we got back," Richards said.

And the Stones seemed genuinely glad to have returned.

Fresh off a headlining slot at the Glastonbury Festival last week, the band was in relaxed but rousing form during a set that kicked off with "Start Me Up" and "It's Only Rock 'n' Roll (But I Like It)."

"Anybody here that was here in 1969?" Jagger asked, getting at least a few affirmative shouts.

"Welcome back — it's nice to see you again."

The band played on a stage surrounded by fake trees and foliage — "like a cross between Wimbledon and a pantomime forest," Jagger said — but it was scarcely necessary. The park was already a leafy idyll on a rare London day of bright sunshine and soaring temperatures.

"This time of year in England, it's the best place to be in the world," Jagger said, before quoting Shakespeare: "Summer's lease has all too short a date."

The show featured some songs that had yet to be written in 1969, including "Beast of Burden" and the recent "Doom and Gloom," as well as 1960s favorites like "Sympathy For the Devil," "Paint It Black" and "Gimme Shelter."

Former band member Mick Taylor, who played with the band for the first time at the 1969 show, joined the Stones onstage for "Midnight Rambler." □



Mick Jagger of Rolling Stones performs at British Summer Time at Hyde Park in London on Saturday, July 6, 2013.
(Photo by Jon Furniss/Invision/AP Images)

Saatchi claims he is divorcing Nigella Lawson

LONDON (AP) — Prominent art collector Charles Saatchi said Sunday he is divorcing his celebrity chef wife Nigella Lawson because she did not publicly defend his reputation after images emerged of him grasping her throat in a posh London restaurant. Tabloid newspapers last month published photos of the incident, which Saatchi described as a "playful tiff" during an intense debate about the couple's children. The 70-year-old Saatchi was given a police "caution" after admitting assault. He told Britain's Mail on Sunday newspaper that he was "sorry" to announce he will be divorcing Lawson, adding that they have become "estranged" and drifted apart over the past year. "I feel that I have clearly been a disappointment to Nigella during the last year or so, and I am disappointed that she was advised to make no public comment to explain that I abhor violence of any kind against women, and have never abused her physically in any way," he said.

In what the tabloid called an "exclusive statement" breaking the news to Lawson, Saatchi also suggested that Lawson had herself grasped his neck in a similar fashion in the past.

The Mail on Sunday said that Lawson was not made aware of the divorce move prior to publication.

Lawson and Saatchi married in 2003 and lived in London with Lawson's son and daughter from her marriage to journalist John Diamond, who died of cancer in 2001, and Saatchi's daughter from a previous marriage. Lawson's spokesman Mark Hutchinson — who previously has confirmed that she and her children left the family home after the photos were published — declined to comment on Saatchi's statement. Lawson is a well-known TV presenter and chef whose cookbooks are best-sellers in Britain and the United States. □

Music Review:

Jay-Z frets about role, prestige on new album

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The mood swings are wide and sudden on "Magna Carta ... Holy Grail," the 12th solo studio album by Jay-Z. This rapper who has everything — sales, fame, cars, clothes, fine art, corporate clout and an equally famous wife, Beyoncé — has started to wonder what it's all for. "Magna Carta ... Holy Grail" arrives on a tsunami of marketing tied to Jay-Z's long-established role as hip-hop's high achiever. His songs keep retelling

Maintaining his monumental hubris, Jay-Z unveiled the album cover at Salisbury Cathedral in England, alongside a somewhat more historic document: one of the four extant copies of the original Magna Carta.

In his new songs, Jay-Z boasts his usual boasts; he praises how "special" his flow is, and he compulsively lists acquisitions, destinations and celebrity pals. We get to hear again about his Basquiat, his Maybach, his Lamborghini and his Hublot watch, and

from the anthemic pop of "Empire State of Mind," the rock stomp of "99 Problems," or the lavish mélange of electronics, sampled soul music and orchestral buildups that he shared with Kanye West on "Watch the Throne," their brilliant 2011 duo album. In retrospect, "Watch the Throne" set new, diverging trajectories for both rappers: West toward a self-righteous, confrontational crudeness and Jay-Z toward reflection, perspective and a little more self-questioning. That album

said I wasn't scared." Jay-Z also mentions his daughter in the album's opening track, "Holy Grail," where he's cornered at a corner store by paparazzi trying to get a baby picture. It's part of a seesawing rap about fame as an enticement, a burden, a problem dwarfed by other people's struggles, something he craves and something that might drive him crazy. He ends up singing along with Justin Timberlake and paraphrasing Kurt Cobain: "We all just entertainers, and we're stupid and contagious."

Often, Jay-Z's boasts are contested by tracks with their own stubborn agendas: minor keys, empty spaces, unyielding arrangements that make his rhymes dodge and weave around them. Another song about success, "Crown," with Jay-Z joined by the Texan rapper Travis Scott, moves on somber chords and an oozing Southern hip-hop beat as anxiety — "best friends become ya enemies" — takes over from bragging.

"Tom Ford," which has Jay-Z living it up in Paris — "Spent all my euros on tuxedos and weird clothes" — is a one-chord Timbaland production that starts out hinting at Radiohead's "Kid A" and turns into a thicket of synthesizers, bubbling and ratcheting all around and making Jay-Z shove his way into the rhythm. The tension improves the song; it's about contention, not just conspicuous consumption. Timbaland produced the majority of the album, and his beats carry Jay-Z even when — as in "Picasso Baby," an art inventory — the lyrics revisit familiar ground.

But Jay-Z is still striving on "Magna Carta ... Holy Grail." He ponders faith, superstition and free thinking in "Heaven," which quotes REM's "Losing My Religion," while in "Nickels and Dimes," he wonders whether giving people handouts is just his way to assuage "survivor's guilt" over his escape from poverty. □



Jay-Z performs at the Barclays Center in New York. Samsung bought a million copies of "Magna Carta Holy Grail," the 12th solo studio album by Jay-Z, at \$5 each, and started giving them away through a mobile phone app on new models, starting July 5, 2013.

(Richard Perry/The New York Times)

his success story: the drug dealer from the Brooklyn projects who became a rapper, a star and an entertainment mogul without forgetting the streets.

In Jay-Z lore, bigness and prestige are mandatory. Samsung bought a million copies of "Magna Carta ... Holy Grail," at \$5 each, to give away on Thursday through a mobile phone app on new models in advance of the official release date, five days later. As a result of a change in Recording Industry Association of America certification rules regarding album downloads, the album will have gone platinum before appearing in stores, and Jay-Z has become a digital standard-bearer.

he compares himself yet again to Michael Jackson and Muhammad Ali.

He also touts the corporate expansion of his Roc Nation into sports management. He now aspires to becoming a billionaire. "I crash through glass ceilings, I break through closed doors," he exults in "Oceans."

But on this album, the music often tells a different story: less vainglorious, more ambivalent. "Oceans" itself — which, true to Jay-Z wordplay, features Frank Ocean on vocals — juxtaposes thoughts of slave ships with Jay-Z's current luxury, cruising on a yacht; its track is a brass-section elegy.

It's typical of an album on which Jay-Z turns away

also led them to experiment. This year, they have both gambled that name recognition and pent-up anticipation would get their new albums noticed with or without radio hits.

At 43, Jay-Z has grown-up concerns, particularly parenthood; Blue Ivy Carter was born in January 2012, making "Magna Carta ... Holy Grail" Jay-Z's first dad-rap album. Its most conflicted and vulnerable song is "Jay Z Blue (Daddy Dearest)." Its track samples dialogue from "Mommie Dearest" over an arrangement suffused with spaghetti-western foreboding; the lyrics worry about how his "Father never taught me to be a father," adding, "I'm trying and I'm lying if I

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It's that time of year - the long weekend when we gather with friends and family to celebrate hot dogs, potato salad and, yes, the founding of our nation. And it's also a time for some of us to wax a bit philosophical, to wonder what, exactly, we're celebrating. Is America in 2013, in any meaningful sense, the same country that declared independence in 1776?

The answer, I'd suggest, is yes. Despite everything, there is a thread of continuity in our national identity - reflected in institutions, ideas and, especially, in attitude - that remains unbroken. Above all, we are still, at root, a nation that believes in democracy, even if we don't always act on that belief.

And that's a remarkable thing when you bear in mind just how much the country has changed.

America in 1776 was a rural land, mainly composed of small farmers and, in the South, somewhat bigger farmers with slaves. And the free population consisted of, well, WASPs: almost all came from northwestern Europe, 65 percent came from Britain, and 98 percent were Protestants.

America today is nothing like that, even though some politicians - think Sarah Palin - like to talk as if the "real America" is still white, Protestant, and rural or small-town.

But the real America is, in fact, a nation of metropolitan areas, not small towns. Tellingly, even when Palin made her infamous remarks in 2008 she did so in Greensboro, N.C., which may not be in the Northeast Corridor but - with a metropolitan population of more than 700,000 - is hardly Mayberry. In fact, two-thirds of Americans live in metro areas with half a million or more residents.

Nor, by the way, are most of us living in leafy suburbs. America as a whole has only 87 people per square mile, but the average American, according to the Census Bureau, lives in a census tract with more than 5,000 people per square mile. For all the bashing of the Northeast Corridor as being somehow un-American, this means that the typical American lives in an environment that resembles greater Boston or greater Philadelphia more than it resembles Greensboro, let alone true small towns.

What do we do in these dense metropolitan areas? Almost

none of us are farmers; few of us hunt; by and large, we sit in cubicles on weekdays and visit shopping malls on our days off. And ethnically we are, of course, very different from the founders. Only a minority of today's Americans are descended from the WASPs and slaves of 1776.

The rest are the descendants of successive waves of immigration: first from Ireland and Germany, then from Southern and Eastern Europe, now from Latin America and Asia. We're no longer an Anglo-Saxon nation; we're only around half-Protestant; and we're increasingly nonwhite.

Yet I would maintain that we are still the same country that declared independence all those years ago.

It's not just that we have maintained continuity of legal government, although that's not a small thing. The current government of France is, strictly speaking, the Fifth Republic; we had our anti-monarchical revolution first, yet we're still on Republic No. 1, which actually makes our government one of the oldest in the world.

More important, however, is the enduring hold on our nation of the democratic ideal, the notion that "all men are created equal" - all men, not just men from certain ethnic groups or from aristocratic families. And to this day - or so it seems to me, and I've done a lot of traveling in my time - America remains uniquely democratic in its mannerisms, in the way people from different classes interact.

Of course, our democratic ideal has always been accompanied by enormous hypocrisy, starting with the many founding fathers who espoused the rights of man, then went back to enjoying the fruits of slave labor. Today's America is a place where everyone claims to support equality of opportunity, yet we are, objectively, the most class-ridden nation in the Western world - the country where children of the wealthy are most likely to inherit their parents' status. It's also a place where everyone celebrates the right to vote, yet many politicians work hard to disenfranchise the poor and nonwhite.

But that very hypocrisy is, in a way, a good sign. The wealthy may defend their privileges, but given the temper of America, they have to pretend that they're doing no such thing. The block-the-vote people know what they're doing, but they also know that they mustn't say it in so many words. In effect, both groups know that the nation will view them as un-American unless they pay at least lip service to democratic ideals - and in that fact lies the hope of redemption.

So, yes, we are still, in a deep sense, the nation that declared independence and, more important, declared that all men have rights. Let's all raise our hot dogs in salute. □



How Could We Blow This One?



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© 2013 New York Times I just finished a five-month leave from this column, writing a book with my wife, Sheryl WuDunn, and what struck me while away from the daily fray is a paradox that doesn't seem quite patriotic enough for July Fourth.

But I'll share it anyway: On security issues, we Americans need a rebalancing. We appear willing to bear any burden, pay any price, to confound the kind of terrorists who shout "Allahu akbar" ("God is great") and plant bombs, while unwilling to take the slightest step to curb a different kind of terrorism - mundane gun violence in classrooms, cinemas and inner cities that claims 1,200 times as many American lives.

When I began my book leave, it seemed likely that the massacre at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Connecticut would impel Congress to approve universal background checks for gun purchases. It looked as if we might follow Australia, which responded to a 1996 gun massacre by imposing restrictions that have resulted in not a single mass shooting there since.

Alas, I was naïve. Despite 91 percent support from voters polled in late March and early April, Congress rejected background checks. Political momentum to reduce gun killings has now faded - until the next

such slaughter.

Meanwhile, our national leaders have been in a tizzy over Edward Snowden and his leaks about National Security Agency surveillance of - of, well, just about everything. The public reaction has been a shrug: Most people don't like surveillance, but they seem willing to accept it and much more as the price of suppressing terrorism.

Our response to the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and international terrorism has been remarkable, including an intelligence apparatus in which some 1.4 million people (including, until recently, Snowden) hold "top secret" clearances.

That's more than twice the population of the District of Columbia. The Washington Post has reported that since 9/11, the United States has built new intelligence complexes equivalent in office space to 22 U.S. Capitol buildings.

All told, since 9/11, the United States has spent \$8 trillion on the military and homeland security, according to the National Priorities Project, a research group that works for budget transparency. That's nearly \$70,000 per U.S. household.

Some of that money probably helped avert other terrorist attacks (although some of it spent in Iraq and Afghanistan may have increased risks). We need a robust military and intelligence network, for these threats are real. An al-Qaida attack is an assault on the political system in a way that an ordinary murder is not. And overseas terrorists do aspire to commit mass murder again, perhaps with chemical, nuclear or biological weapons, and our government is right to work hard to prevent such a cataclysm. But there are trade-offs, including other ways to protect the public, and our entire focus seems to be on national security rather than on more practical ways of assuring our safety. The imbalance in our priorities is particularly striking because, since 2005, terrorism has taken an average of 23

American lives annually, mostly overseas - and the number has been falling.

More Americans die of falling televisions and other appliances than from terrorism. Twice as many Americans die of bee or wasp stings annually. And 15 times as many die by falling off ladders.

Most striking, more than 30,000 people die annually from firearms injuries, including suicides, murders and accidents, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. U.S. children are 13 times as likely to be killed by guns as in other industrialized countries.

Doesn't it seem odd that we're willing to spend trillions of dollars, and intercept metadata from just about every phone call in the country, to deal with a threat that, for now, kills but a few Americans annually - while we're too paralyzed to introduce a rudimentary step like universal background checks to reduce gun violence that kills tens of thousands?

Wasn't what happened at Sandy Hook a variant of terrorism? And isn't what happens in troubled gang-plagued neighborhoods of Chicago just as traumatic for schoolchildren, leaving them suffering a kind of post-traumatic stress disorder?

I don't see any glib solutions here, just a need for a careful balancing of risks and benefits. I'd say that in auto safety, we get it about right. We give most adults access to cars, but we regulate them with licenses, insurance requirements and mandatory seat belts. In the case of national security and terrorism, I wonder if we haven't overdeployed resources. In the case of guns, we don't do enough. Baby steps, consistent with the Second Amendment, would include requiring universal background checks, boosting research to understand gun violence and investing in smarter guns. A debit card requires a code to work, a car requires a key - and a gun, nothing at all. □

Patriots store takes back unwanted Hernandez jerseys

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FOXBOROUGH, Mass. - The doors to the New England Patriots' team store opened 30 minutes ahead of schedule Saturday. That was not the plan, but there was really no choice.

By 9:30 a.m. on what became a brutally hot day, a line of fans had already snaked around the store to take advantage of the team's weekend-only jersey

were then given tickets, similar in appearance to theater tickets, which entitled them to swap their Hernandez jersey for a replica of another player's. Ninety minutes after the store opened, the Patriots said more than 500 jerseys had been exchanged. By 5 p.m., the number had grown to nearly 1,200, of which 25 percent were youth jerseys. The exchange ends Sunday.

said the Hernandez jerseys would be destroyed in an eco-friendly way.

There were some restrictions; the Hernandez jersey had to have been purchased at the Patriots Pro Shop, although no receipt was required, and there was a limit of one exchanged jersey per customer. The exchange was also limited to officially licensed NFL merchandise, Nike or Reebok products,

Vereen (No. 34.)

Women and youth jerseys were available only for Brady, Gronkowski and Wilfork. The Patriots announced the exchange June 28, two days after Hernandez, one of the team's top players, was arrested. The team waived him immediately after his arrest but before the murder charge was made public. He has pleaded not guilty

Karen Bessette drove from Smithfield, R.I., once the home of the Patriots' training camp, to make her exchange. "I got it as a Christmas present last year," she said, eyeing a Brady jersey as a replacement. "It didn't matter to me who it was, really. I'm just a big fan, so any player would have been fine. But to have it turn out to be the jersey of a killer, that's a little shocking. I think I'm safe with Tom."

(STORY CAN END HERE. OPTIONAL MATERIAL FOLLOWS.)

Those were the sentiments expressed by 14-year-old Dylan Wallace of Attleboro, Mass., who was accompanied by his mother, Karen. Dylan works at a nearby supermarket and said he bought the Hernandez jersey with his first paycheck. He was holding a red Brady jersey.

"It's sad," Karen Wallace said. "I liked him, too, as a player. It's really shocking." Ortega remained undecided well into his visit to the store. Like Bessette, he is a die-hard fan who has been to just one Patriots game. With three children, three dogs and a mother-in-law living at home, he said he did not foresee being able to go to a game anytime soon.

"I'd like to go with someone who has been here a while," he said. He was leaning toward Ridley, a third-year running back from Louisiana State. "I like him. And all of our receivers have gone."

As the day progressed, fans continued to walk in, holding their tickets, directed to the appropriate rows for the exchange. One man walked in with his family and said he was there simply to shop. He jokingly asked one of the employees: "How about my Welker jersey? Can I exchange that, too?"

Wes Welker left the Patriots in March after six seasons, signing as a free agent with the Denver Broncos. His No. 83 was not available for exchange, but the \$249.95 version had been marked down to \$75 on the shop's website. □



Jay Novack, center, of Charlton, Mass., waits to exchange his New England Patriots Aaron Hernandez football jersey outside Gillette Stadium in Foxborough, Mass. The Patriots are offering a new jersey to all fans who want to get rid of the one they bought with Hernandez's name on it. (AP Photo/Michael Dwyer)

sey exchange offer. Fans came with Aaron Hernandez jerseys, either the No. 81 he wore in 2012 and 2011, or the No. 85 he had as a rookie in 2010, when Randy Moss wore No. 81 for four games before being traded to Minnesota. Forty miles down the road in North Dartmouth, Mass., Hernandez sat in jail, charged with first-degree murder.

The fans entered a white tent adjacent to the store, directed by a sign reading "Jersey Exchange." They

"I'm not surprised," said Gary Ortega of Burlington, Mass., as he leafed through the 11 available replica jerseys in stock for the exchange. "I mean, no one wants that jersey anymore."

The two kinds of game jerseys cost \$249.95 or \$99.95. The youth replica jerseys cost \$69.95. Women's jerseys retail for \$94.95. Stacey James, the team's vice president for media relations, estimated the value of the exchanged jerseys to be \$200,000. James

that was sold at the store or through its website.

Early on, the most popular jerseys for exchanges were nose tackle Vince Wilfork's No. 75, quarterback Tom Brady's No. 12 and defensive end Chandler Jones' No. 95. The other eight available jerseys for exchange were those of Rob Gronkowski (No. 87), Dont'a Hightower (No. 54), Jerod Mayo (No. 51), Devin McCourty (No. 32), Rob Ninkovich (No. 50), Stevan Ridley (No. 22), Brandon Spikes (No. 55) and Shane

in the June 17 execution-style slaying of Odin Lloyd, a semipro football player and friend from Boston. Hernandez also faces five gun-related charges.

Initially, the team wanted to limit the exchange to youth jerseys but soon realized that it would be easier - and fairer - to include all the Hernandez jerseys. That necessitated the early store opening; all employees had to report to work on what otherwise would have been a slow weekend.